

<u>Invitation – Einladung</u>

- * We usually invite someone to a party, to go on a trip, to a wedding and to such many more occasions.
- * Since this is a most frequently occurring incident, it is important to learn how to invite someone to a particular event.
- * When someone invites you like that, there are two options that we can say in return, that is either to accept that invitation or to reject it.
- * Under this lesson, we are going to talk about accepting and refusing an invitation in addition to the topic mentioned.

Redemitttel – Useful Phrases

How to invite someone:

einladen + zu - to invite to

- ❖ Ich lade Sie (zu der Geburtstagsparty (f)) ein. (formal) I invite you (to the birthday party).
- ❖ Ich lade dich (zu der Geburtstagsparty (f)) ein. (informal) I invite you (to the birthday party).
- ❖ Ich lade Sie (zu dem Ausflug (m))ein. (formal)
 I invite you (to the trip). (formal)





- ❖ Ich lade dich (zu dem Ausflug (m)) ein. (informal)
- ❖ I invite you (to the trip). (informal)
- * "zu" is a German preposition used for "to" and it belongs to dative case.
- * As you all know, every noun in German Language has its own gender such as masculine, feminine, neutral and plural.
- * The gender of the noun is shown by the article which comes before it.
- * When a noun comes with a dative preposition, the article of the noun should be changed in to dative case.

*	For instance:	Nominative	Dative
		Der (m) –	dem
		Die (f) –	der
		Das (nt) –	dem
		Die (pl) –	den n

- * That is why "die Party" has become "zu der Party" and "der Ausflug" has become "zu dem Ausflug". If the noun is masculine and neutral, then with "zu" the article dem comes and if the noun is feminine the article "der" and if the noun is plural then article "den" comes.
- **How to accept the invitation:**

annehmen - to accept

- ❖ Danke, ich nehme Ihre Einladung gerne an. (formal) Thanks, I accept your invitation.
- Danke, ich nehme deine Einladung gerne an. (informal)
 Thanks, I accept your invitation.



How to refuse an invitation

ablehnen - to refuse

- Es tut mir leid, leider kann ich nicht. Am Tag bin ich nicht frei.

 I am sorry, unfortunately I can't. I am not free on that day.
- * Use the above phrases and create a small dialogue.

