



Lesson 1: Thank you!

Dziękuję

LESSON NOTES

Wherever your destination may be, manners are necessary! In this respect, Poland is no different. So in our very first lesson, we'll be teaching you a simple phrase that is bound to come in handy throughout your trip in Poland. I can't stress this enough; a little bit of the language can go such a long way!

In Polish, "Thank you" is "Dziękuję."

You can emphasize "Dziękuję" by adding "bardzo", which means "very much." You could say "Dziękuję bardzo," which would be the equivalent to "Thank you very much" or "Thanks a lot."

Another useful phrase would be "Dziękuję za wszystko," which means "Thank you for everything." The component "za" means "for." "Wszystko" means, "everything." So the whole phrase is "Dziękuję za wszystko."

Especially nowadays, a very popular phrase among friends expressing gratitude is "Dzięki," which means, "Thanks." Please remember we can only use "Dzięki" among friends in an informal setting.

PHRASES

Polish	English
Dziękuję	Thank you.
Dziękuję bardzo.	Thank you very much.
Dziękuję za wszystko.	Thank you for everything.
Thanks.	Dzięki.

QUICK TIP

By far, "Dziękuję" is the most common way to say "Thank you." Remember, when in doubt, keeping it simple is your safest bet. You don't have to worry about formal or informal situations. You can use "Dziękuję" with just about anyone, anywhere, and anytime. You can say "Dziękuję" when the waiter brings your food or drinks, when the clerk in the hotel takes your luggage to your room (of course, tipping won't hurt either!), and when somebody welcomes you or congratulates you. His or her profession doesn't matter; "Dziękuję" will always be an appropriate response.

