

-WANT and WOULD LIKE TO -

1. Want

- **"Want"** is a simple and direct way to express a desire. It's used to state something you strongly desire or wish to have or do.
- To use "want," simply follow it with the object of your desire (what you want).

Example:

"I want a new car."

"She wants to go on vacation."

2. Would Like To:

- **"Would like to"** is a more polite and formal way to express a desire or request. It's often used in more polite or professional settings.
- To use "would like to," start with "I/We/He/She/They would like to" followed by the action (infinitive verb) or object you desire.

Example:

"I would like to attend the meeting tomorrow."

"She would like to have a quiet evening at home."

Exercise: Now, let's practice with an exercise. Complete the following sentences with either "want" or "would like to" based on the context:

I _____ a promotion at work.

They _____ to visit the museum this weekend.

She _____ a piece of chocolate cake for dessert.

We _____ to travel to Europe next summer.

He _____ to learn how to play the guitar.

I _____ to ask you a question.

They _____ to go skiing in the mountains.

She _____ to buy a new smartphone.

Correction:

1. **I would like** a promotion at work.
 - Here, "would like" is used to express a polite and formal desire. It's common to use "would like" in professional or workplace contexts to convey a request or preference in a respectful manner.
2. They **would like to** visit the museum this weekend.
 - Similar to the first example, "would like to" is used to express a polite intention or desire. It adds a level of formality, suitable for making plans or expressing preferences in a courteous way.
3. She **wants** a piece of chocolate cake for dessert.
 - In this case, "wants" is used because the sentence is straightforward and less formal. When expressing desires in a more casual setting, "want" is often appropriate.
4. We **would like to** travel to Europe next summer.
 - Again, "would like to" is chosen for a more formal tone, suitable for discussing future plans or expressing preferences in a polite manner.
5. He **wants** to learn how to play the guitar.
 - "Wants" is used here in a casual context. When talking about personal goals or desires in an informal setting, "want" is often the more natural choice.
6. **I would like to** ask you a question.
 - "Would like to" is employed here to convey a sense of politeness when making a request. It is a common choice when asking for someone's time or attention.
7. They **want** to go skiing in the mountains.
 - In this instance, "want" is used in a more casual setting. When discussing personal preferences or plans with friends, family, or in an informal context, "want" is often suitable.
8. She **would like to** buy a new smartphone.
 - "Would like to" is chosen for a more formal expression of desire. It adds politeness when discussing personal preferences or wishes, especially in a retail or business context.