

Languages Without Words

SAY IT ALOUD

Please (informal)

English		Please (informal)
Irish	leh duh hul	Le do thoil
French	seel tuh pleh	S'il te plaît
German	bit-eh	bitte
Spanish	por fah-vor	Por favor

Thank you (informal)

English		Thank you (informal)
Irish	guh rev mah ah-gut	Go raibh maith agat
French	mair-see	merci
German	dahn-keh	danke
Spanish	grah-thee-ahs	gracias

COPYBOOK MOMENT · 3 MIN

Write "thank you" in two languages, then draw the gesture you would use if you had no words at all.

Read as written. Pause the board; every pupil writes. Not collected, not marked.

WATCH FOR

- This lesson has both a friendly and a polite form. Pupils tend to use whichever came first for everything.

ANSWERS

1 · Write it five ways

- Please (informal) — Irish Le do thoil · French S'il te plaît · German bitte · Spanish Por favor
- Thank you (informal) — Irish Go raibh maith agat · French merci · German danke · Spanish gracias

2 · Find what they share

- Open answer — Accept any two forms the child can justify, with the shared letters written. Mark the reason, not the pair.