

SCENE 45 • GRAMMAR

Milá Anno

A short postcard

6 Exercises • Duration: 20 min.

The festival

Czech

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Vocative: The form for addressing someone directly, such as **Jane**.

A short postcard

Letters can start with a vocative: **Milá Anno, milý Jane**. Czech direct address changes some names: **Anna/Anno, Jan/Jane, Eliška/Eliško, Tomáš/Tomáši**. A surname after **paní** usually keeps its feminine adjective form: **paní Nováková**.

Useful perfective future forms for a postcard are **napíšu, pošlu, koupím**. Learn them with **psát/napsat, posílat/poslat, kupovat/koupit**. For a signature use **tvůj** for a male writer and **tvoje** for a female writer.

Czech	Meaning
Milá Anno!	Dear Anna!
Milý Jane!	Dear Jan!
Zítra koupím známku.	I will buy a stamp tomorrow.
Ahoj! Tvůj Lukas.	Bye! Yours, Lukas/Lena.

Milá Anno!

Dear Anna!

Milý Jane!

Dear Jan!

Zítra koupím známku.

I will buy a stamp tomorrow.

Ahoj! Tvoje Lena (Tvůj Lukas).

Bye! Yours, Lukas/Lena.

GRAMMAR

G1) NOTICE THE USEFUL PATTERN

Underline the form practised in this unit.

1 Milá Anno!

Meaning: Dear Anna!

2 Milý Jane!

Meaning: Dear Jan!

3 Zítra koupím známku.

Meaning: I will buy a stamp tomorrow.

- 4 Ahoj! Tvoje Lena.

Meaning: Bye! Yours, Lukas/Lena.

G2) CHOOSE THE FORM

Use the English meaning and the pattern in this unit.

1 Milá _____!

- ☐ A Anno
- ☐ B Anně
- ☐ C Anna

Meaning: Dear Anna!

2 Milý _____!

- ☐ A Janovi
- ☐ B Jane
- ☐ C Jan

Meaning: Dear Jan!

3 Zítřa _____ známku.

- ☐ A koupím
- ☐ B koupíš
- ☐ C koupíme

Meaning: I will buy a stamp tomorrow.

4 Ahoj! _____ Lena.

- ☐ A Tvými
- ☐ B Tvoje
- ☐ C Tvoji

Meaning: Bye! Yours, Lukas/Lena.

G3) COMPLETE THE MESSAGES

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

Anno Anna

Milá _____!

Meaning: Dear Anna!

Jane Jan

Milý _____!

Meaning: Dear Jan!

koupím koupíš

Zítra _____ známku.

Meaning: I will buy a stamp tomorrow.

Tvoje Tvoji

Ahoj! _____ Lena.

Meaning: Bye! Yours, Lukas/Lena.

G4) BUILD A SENTENCE

Put the words in order.

- 1 děkuji! Anno, Milá

Meaning: Dear Anna — thank you!

- 2 Milý děkuji! Jane,

Meaning: Dear Jan — thank you!

- 3 koupím známku. Zítra

Meaning: I will buy a stamp tomorrow.

- 4 Lena. Ahoj! Tvoje

Meaning: Bye! Yours, Lukas/Lena.

G5) WHAT WOULD YOU SAY?

Choose the right words for the situation.

1 Dear Anna! You say:

- ☐ A Milá Anno!
- ☐ B Milá Anna!

2 Dear Jan! You say:

- ☐ A Milý Jan!
- ☐ B Milý Jane!

3 I will buy a stamp tomorrow. You say:

- ☐ A Zítra koupíš známku.
- ☐ B Zítra koupím známku.

4 Bye! Yours, Lukas/Lena. You say:

- ☐ A Ahoj! Tvoji Lena.
- ☐ B Ahoj! Tvoje Lena.

G6) CONNECT MESSAGES AND MEANINGS

Match the pairs.

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| ① Ahoj! Tvoje Lena. | ① A Dear Jan! |
| ② Milá Anno! | ② B Bye! Yours, Lukas/Lena. |
| ③ Zítra koupím známku. | ③ C I will buy a stamp tomorrow. |
| ④ Milý Jane! | ④ D Dear Anna! |