

SCENE 2 • NUMBER 7

Tev ir mana atslēga

The next morning. You step out of your flat, and on the stairs right next to your door sits a girl with Muris on her lap. She is holding your key.

64 Words · 5 Exercises · Duration: 15 min.

Arrival

Latvian

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LEARNING GOAL

I can say hello to a child, ask her name, get my key back and ask where something is.

Elīna = ■ Lena (Lukas) = O

Learning as Lukas? Use the words in brackets.

■ Labrīt!

O Sveika! Kā tevi sauc?

■ Elīna. Maija ir mana vecmāmiņa. Tu esi jaunā kaimiņiene (jaunais kaimiņš), vai ne?

○ Jā, mani sauc Lena (Lukas). Ak! Tev ir mana atslēga!

She gives you the key.

■ Ak, tā ir tava atslēga! Lūdzu.

○ Liels paldies, Elīna!

The cat looks at you.

○ Slikts kaķis!

■ Viņš nav slikts. Viņš ir runcis. Viņš vienkārši ir izsalcis.

○ Izsalcis? Es arī esmu izsalkusi (izsalcis).

■ Te ir ļoti laba kafejnīca.

○ Kur tā ir?

She points down the stairs.

■ Lejā!

○ Es eju uz kafejnīcu!

Vocabulary

DOING THINGS

būt

have (dative person + ir)

iet

go (on foot)

ANIMALS

kaķis	cat
runcis	tomcat

SMALL WORDS

ļoti	very
vienkārši	just / simply
arī	too / also
kur	where

GREETINGS AND COURTESY

sveiki	hi
lūdzu	you're welcome

FAMILY

vecmāmiņa	grandmother
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PLACES IN TOWN

kafejnīca	café
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WHAT THINGS AND PEOPLE ARE LIKE

slikts	bad
izsalcis	hungry
labs	good

HERE AND THERE

šeit	here
lejā	downstairs
iekšā	inside

LISTENING & UNDERSTANDING**L1) WHO SAYS IT**

Read the dialogue again. Who says these words? Tick the right person.

1 Ak, tā ir tava atslēga! Lūdzu.

- ☐ A Elīna
- ☐ B Lena

L2) WHAT DOES IT MEAN

Tick the right English meaning.

1 Jā, mani sauc Lena. Ak! Tev ir mana atslēga!

- ☐ A A tomcat, not a cat! And he isn't bad. He's just hungry.
- ☐ B Hungry? I'm hungry too.
- ☐ C Yes, I'm Lena. Oh! You have my key!

L3) HOW DO YOU SAY IT

Tick the right Latvian sentence.

1 There's a very good café here.

- ☐ A Kur tā ir?
- ☐ B Lejā!
- ☐ C Te ir ļoti laba kafejnīca.

L4) PUT THE WORDS IN ORDER

Write the words in the right order on the line.

- 1**
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L5) WHAT HAPPENS FIRST

Number the lines in the order they come in the scene.

- ☐ Sveika! Kā tevi sauc?
- ☐ Es eju uz kafejnīcu!
- ☐ Te ir ļoti laba kafejnīca.
- ☐ Viņš nav slikts. Viņš ir runcis. Viņš vienkārši ir izsalcis.
- ☐ Ak, tā ir tava atslēga! Lūdzu.

SCENE 2 • WORDS

Tev ir mana atslēga

You have my key

4 Exercises • Duration: 10 min.

Arrival

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sveiki
hi



vecmāmiņa
grandmother



būt
have (dative
person + ir)



lūdzu
you're welcome

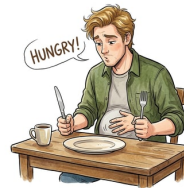


kaķis
cat



Ein frischer Apfel Ein angegammelter Apfel

slikts
bad



izsalcis
hungry



labs
good



šeit
here



kafējnīca
café



lejā
downstairs



iet
go (on foot)

Words

FROM THE SCENE

sveiki

hi

Sveika! Kā tevi sauc?

vecmāmiņa

grandmother

Elīna. Maija ir mana vecmāmiņa. Tu esi jaunā kaimiņiene, vai ne?

būt

have (dative person + ir)

Jā, mani sauc Lena. Ak! Tev ir mana atslēga!

lūdzu

you're welcome

Ak, tā ir tava atslēga! Lūdzu.

ļoti

very

Te ir ļoti laba kafejnīca.

kaķis

cat

Slikts kaķis!

slikts

bad

Slikts kaķis!

vienkārši

just / simply

Viņš nav slikts. Viņš ir runcis. Viņš vienkārši ir izsalcis.

izsalcis

hungry

Izsalcis? Es arī esmu izsalkusi.

arī

too / also

Izsalcis? Es arī esmu izsalkusi.

labs

good

Te ir ļoti laba kafejnīca.

šeit

here

kafejnīca

café

Es eju uz kafejnīcu!

kur

where

Kur tā ir?

lejā

downstairs

Lejā!

iet

go (on foot)

Es eju uz kafejnīcu!

iekšā

inside

NEW WORDS**suns**

dog

Tev ir suns.

VOCABULARY & COMMUNICATION**W1) WHAT DOES IT MEAN?**

What does it mean?

1 ļoti

- ☐ A no
- ☐ B very
- ☐ C house / building

2 lūdzu

- ☐ A you're welcome
- ☐ B no
- ☐ C cat

3 sveiki

- ☐ A downstairs
- ☐ B take (take hold of)
- ☐ C hi

4 izsalcis

- ☐ A good evening
- ☐ B go (on foot)
- ☐ C hungry

5 kur

- ☐ A have (dative person + ir)
- ☐ B hi
- ☐ C where

6 labs

- ☐ A good
- ☐ B take (take hold of)
- ☐ C café

W2) COMPLETE THE CONVERSATION

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

Elīna Ak Sveika Jā

_____. Maija ir mana vecmāmiņa. Tu esi jaunā kaimiņiene, vai ne?

Meaning: Elīna. Maija is my grandmother. And you're the new neighbour, right?

Elīna Sveika Jā Ak

_____! Kā tevi sauc?

Meaning: Hi! What's your name?

Jā Sveika Ak Elīna

_____, mani sauc Lena. Ak! Tev ir mana atslēga!

Meaning: Yes, I'm Lena. Oh! You have my key!

Jā Ak Sveika Elīna

_____, tā ir tava atslēga! Lūdzu.

Meaning: Oh, so it's your key! Here you are.

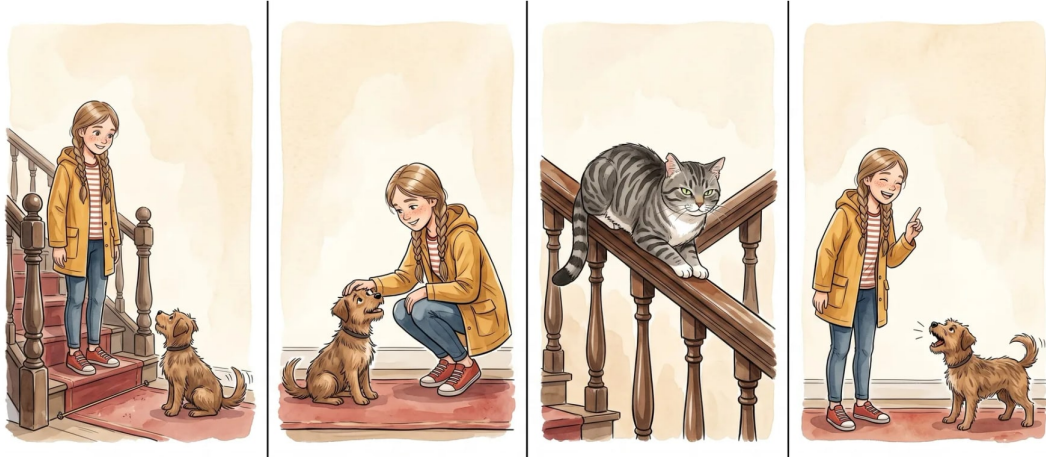
Elīna Jā Sveika Liels

_____ paldies, Elīna!

Meaning: Thank you very much, Elīna!

W3) ELĪNA, WHO'S THIS?

Fill the speech bubbles.



kas Muris Te suns

Lena: Elīna, _____ tas ir?

Elīna: Tas ir _____. Viņš ir ļoti izsalcis.

Lena: Kur ir _____?

Elīna: _____! Viņš arī ir izsalcis!

Meaning: 1. Elīna, who's this?

2. It's a dog. He's very hungry.

3. And Muris? Where is he?

4. Here! And he's hungry too!

W4) CONNECT THE MESSAGES AND MEANINGS

Match the pairs.

- | | |
|---|--|
| ① Sveika! Kā tevi sauc? | ⑤ Oh, so it's your key! Here you are. |
| ② Jā, mani sauc Lena.
Ak! Tev ir mana
atslēga! | ⑥ Elīna. Maija is my grandmother.
And you're the new neighbour,
right? |
| ③ Elīna. Maija ir mana
vecmāmiņa. Tu esi
jaunā kaimiņiene,
vai ne? | ⑦ Good morning! |
| ④ Ak, tā ir tava
atslēga! Lūdzu. | ⑧ Hi! What's your name? |
| ⑤ Labrīt! | ⑨ Yes, I'm Lena. Oh! You have my
key! |

SCENE 2 • GRAMMAR

Man ir, man nav

Have, absence and saying no

6 Exercises · Duration: 20 min.

Arrival

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Have, absence and saying no

Latvian normally expresses have with a dative person plus **ir**: **man ir atslēga**, I have a key. A dative marks a recipient or experiencer. The complete persons are **man, tev, viņam, viņai, mums, jums, viņiem, viņām**.

The possessed thing stays in the nominative: **Man ir atslēga**. For absence use **nav** and a genitive noun: **Man nav atslēgas**. Learn this contrast now; noun genitive patterns are expanded with the empty flat.

A describing word changes with a learner's gender: **Es esmu izsalcis**, male; **Es esmu izsalkusi**, female. These useful hunger forms are learned as a pair. **Ļoti** means very and does not change.

Form	Example	Meaning
Man	Man ir atslēga.	I have a key.
Tev	Tev ir atslēga.	You have a key, familiar.
Viņam	Viņam ir atslēga.	He has a key.
Viņai	Viņai ir atslēga.	She has a key.
Mums	Mums ir atslēga.	We have a key.
Jums	Jums ir atslēga.	You have a key, polite.
Viņiem	Viņiem ir atslēga.	They have a key, masculine or mixed.
Viņām	Viņām ir atslēga.	They have a key, feminine.

Man ir atslēga.

I have a key.

Tev ir atslēga.

You have a key, familiar.

Viņam ir atslēga.

He has a key.

Viņai ir atslēga.

She has a key.

Mums ir atslēga.

We have a key.

Jums ir atslēga.

You have a key, polite.

Viņiem ir atslēga.

They have a key, masculine or mixed.

Viņām ir atslēga.

They have a key, feminine.

When denying a description, keep the nominative: **Viņš nav mans kaķis**, he is not my cat. For an absent thing, use the genitive: **Kaķa nav**, there is no cat.

GRAMMAR

G1) NOTICE THE USEFUL PATTERN

Underline the form practised in this unit.

1 Man ir atslēga.

Meaning: I have a key.

2 Tev ir atslēga.

Meaning: You have a key, familiar.

3 Viņam ir atslēga.

Meaning: He has a key.

4 Viņai ir atslēga.

Meaning: She has a key.

G2) CHOOSE THE FORM

Use the English meaning and the pattern in this unit.

1 _____ ir atslēga.

- ☐ A Man
- ☐ B Tev
- ☐ C Jums

Meaning: I have a key.

2 _____ ir atslēga.

- ☐ A Man
- ☐ B Mums
- ☐ C Tev

Meaning: You have a key, familiar.

3 _____ ir atslēga.

- ☐ A Man
- ☐ B Viņai
- ☐ C Viņam

Meaning: He has a key.

4 _____ ir atslēga.

- ☐ A Man
- ☐ B Viņai
- ☐ C Viņam

Meaning: She has a key.

5 _____ ir atslēga.

- ☐ A Jums
- ☐ B Man
- ☐ C Mums

Meaning: We have a key.

6 _____ ir atslēga.

- ☐ A Tev
- ☐ B Man
- ☐ C Jums

Meaning: You have a key, polite.

7 _____ ir atslēga.

- ☐ A Viņām
- ☐ B Man
- ☐ C Viņiem

Meaning: They have a key, masculine or mixed.

8 _____ ir atslēga.

- ☐ A Viņām
- ☐ B Viņiem
- ☐ C Man

Meaning: They have a key, feminine.

G3) COMPLETE THE MESSAGES

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

Viņai Viņam

_____ ir atslēga.

Meaning: He has a key.

Viņam Viņai

_____ ir atslēga.

Meaning: She has a key.

Jums Mums

_____ ir atslēga.

Meaning: We have a key.

Man Jums

_____ ir atslēga.

Meaning: You have a key, polite.

Viņām Viņiem

_____ ir atslēga.

Meaning: They have a key, masculine or mixed.

Viņiem Viņām

_____ ir atslēga.

Meaning: They have a key, feminine.

G4) BUILD A SENTENCE

Put the words in order.

1

ir

atslēga.

Man

Meaning: I have a key.

2 ir Tev atslēga.

Meaning: You have a key, familiar.

3 atslēga. ir Viņam

Meaning: He has a key.

4 Viņai atslēga. ir

Meaning: She has a key.

5 atslēga. ir Mums

Meaning: We have a key.

- 6 atslēga. ir Jums

Meaning: You have a key, polite.

G5) WHAT WOULD YOU SAY?

Choose the right words for the situation.

1 I have a key. You say:

- ☐ A Man ir atslēga.
- ☐ B Tev ir atslēga.

2 You have a key, familiar. You say:

- ☐ A Man ir atslēga.
- ☐ B Tev ir atslēga.

3 He has a key. You say:

- ☐ A Viņam ir atslēga.
- ☐ B Viņai ir atslēga.

4 She has a key. You say:

- (A) Viņai ir atslēga.
- (B) Viņam ir atslēga.

G6) CONNECT MESSAGES AND MEANINGS

Match the pairs.

- | | |
|------------------------|--|
| (1) Viņām ir atslēga. | (A) You have a key, familiar. |
| (2) Viņam ir atslēga. | (B) We have a key. |
| (3) Viņai ir atslēga. | (C) He has a key. |
| (4) Viņiem ir atslēga. | (D) They have a key, masculine or mixed. |
| (5) Jums ir atslēga. | (E) You have a key, polite. |
| (6) Man ir atslēga. | (F) They have a key, feminine. |
| (7) Tev ir atslēga. | (G) I have a key. |
| (8) Mums ir atslēga. | (H) She has a key. |