Much/ many and restaurant roleplays

Warmer: Much and many food problems guessing game

Student A

Choose one of the roleplay situations below and tell your partner just the information in italics on the left-hand side. Answer their questions until they find out what the problem is or give up. If they give up, tell them the problem. Then take turns doing the same.

Useful language for doing the activity
● "Can I ask you a question ● "Can I ask a couple of questions/ a few questions/ some questions?" ● "Can I also ask…?" ● "Is there any kind of problem with…?" ● "Is there a/ Are there any…?"

The situation (to tell your partner)	**The problem (to not tell your partner until they ask the right question)**
Your partner is your doctor and you have health problems	You drink three or four litres of beer every night
Your partner is your doctor and you aren't sleeping well	You drink 10 to 15 coffees every day
Your partner is your bank manager and you are having money problems	You buy smoked salmon, caviar and champagne every day
Your partner is a possible customer phoning your bar to ask questions about it before they come there tonight	There are only three chairs in your bar
Your partner is a customer who is thinking about eating in your restaurant	There are lots of cockroaches in your restaurant

Look at just the restaurant situations on both worksheets and discuss what the restaurant staff should do. Then do the restaurant roleplays below.

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Student B

Choose one of the roleplay situations below and tell your partner just the information in italics on the left-hand side. Answer their questions until they find out what the problem is or give up. If they give up, tell them the problem. Then take turns doing the same.

Useful language for doing the activity
● "Can I ask you a question ● "Can I ask a couple of questions/ a few questions/ some questions?" ● "Can I also ask…?" ● "Is there any kind of problem with…?" ● "Is there a/ Are there any…?"

The situation (to tell your partner)	**The problem (to not tell your partner until they ask the right question)**
Your partner is your doctor and you have health problems	You only drink one glass of water a day
Your partner is your doctor and you have health problems	You smoke forty cigarettes a day
You are an estate agent and your partner wants to buy a house	There isn't a toilet in the house
You are a travel agent and your partner wants to book a holiday near the sea	There isn't any sand on the beach
Your partner is a customer who is thinking about eating in your restaurant	The service charge is 25% and tax is 25%

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Restaurant roleplays
Roleplay the restaurant situations below, taking turns being the staff, starting each time from when the customer enters the restaurant.

The customer wants to eat meat, but all the meat dishes are sold out
The customer has a reservation but the waiter says the restaurant is full
When the waiter delivers the pizza, there isn't any cheese on it
The customers want a smoking seat, but there aren't any available now
The customer doesn't have any cash and the restaurant doesn't take credit cards
There aren't any toilets

Useful restaurant language for the roleplays
Waiters/ Servers
"Do you have a reservation?"
"Can I have your name, please?"
"(Would you like) smoking or non smoking?"
"This way please"
"Here is the (wine/ dessert) menu"
"Are you ready to order?"
"What would you like for starter/ for the main course/ for dessert/ to drink?"
"Here you are?"
"Is your meal okay?"/ "How is your meal?"
"Would you like to see the dessert menu?"
"Anything else?"
"Certainly, madam/ sir"

Customers
"A table for one/ two/ three/…"
"I'd like/ Can I have the menu/ the wine menu/ the dessert menu/ another spoon/ another bottle/ the bill (= the check)/ some more water?"
"Do you take credit cards?"
"Can I have a receipt?"
"Can we have a table near the window?"
"Where's the toilet, please?"

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