

LESSON NOTES

Learn Romanian in Three Minutes S1 #1 Self Introductions

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VOCABULARY

Romanian	English	Class
minut	minute	noun
mă numesc	my name is	phrase
bună	hi	interjection
îmi pare bine	nice to meet you	phrasal verb, phrase
sunt	I am (conjugated form of a fi)	verb, conjugated
română	Romanian	noun

SAMPLE SENTENCES

<p>Lasă-mă un minut, te rog. "Give me a minute, please".</p>	<p>Am așteptat trei minute. "I waited three minutes."</p>
<p>Vă rog așteptați câteva minute, apoi apăsați butonul. "Please wait a few minutes, then push the button."</p>	<p>Ma numesc Andrei și locuiesc în București. "My name is Andrei and I live in Bucharest."</p>
<p>Bună, Andreea! Hi, Andreea!</p>	<p>Bună Elena! Bine ai venit în orașul meu. Hi Elena! Welcome to my city!</p>
<p>Îmi pare bine să vă întâlnesc. "I'm pleased to meet you."</p>	<p>Bună tuturor! Îmi pare bine. "Hi everyone! Nice to meet you."</p>
<p>Sunt îngrijorat. "I am worried."</p>	<p>Sunt acasă. "I am home."</p>
<p>Sunt român dar acum locuiesc în Spania. "I am Romanian but now I live in Spain ."</p>	<p>Eu sunt Ana, noua ta colegă. "I am Ana, your new colleague."</p>

El vorbește română foarte bine.
"He speaks Romanian very well."

Prietenul meu vorbește româna foarte bine.
"My friend speaks Romanian very well."

Înțeleg româna.
"(I) understand Romanian."

GRAMMAR

The focus of this lesson is Introducing Yourself

Topic 1: How introduce yourself

Sentence from the Lesson:

Bună, sunt Raluca. Îmi pare bine.

"Hi, I'm Raluca. Nice to meet you."

Let's start with a polite and common way to introduce yourself.

Bună, sunt Raluca. Îmi pare bine.

"Hi, I'm Raluca. Nice to meet you."

The first word is *Bună*, which means "hi", or "hello". After that comes *sunt*, which means "I am". Then, say your name. For example, *Bună, sunt Raluca* , "Hi, I'm Raluca".

Finally, say *Îmi pare bine*, which means "nice to meet you".

So all together it would be:

Bună, sunt Raluca. Îmi pare bine.

Topic 2: Another way of introducing yourself

Sentence from the Lesson:

Bună, mă numesc Raluca. Îmi pare bi-ne.

"Hi, my name is Raluca. Nice to meet you."

There is also another way to say your name.

Instead of *Sunt Raluca*, I could say *Mă numesc Raluca*.

Mă numesc literally means "I call myself". But we use it to mean "my name is".

Bună, mă numesc Raluca.. Îmi pare bine. "Hi, my name is Raluca. Nice to meet you."

Tip

In formal situations, people in Romanian speaking countries greet each other by shaking hands. On the other hand, if we meet someone we are very friendly with, we kiss each other on both cheeks. So don't be surprised if this happens to you!