Thai in Thailand Video Transcripts

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"Greeting Guests"

Thai transcript:



English translation:

"According to Thai tradition, Thai people always believe that greeting others, when you meet them, and saying goodbye are important. Hence, when you go to visit other people, the first thing you have to do when you meet them is to put your hands together at your chest and bow, and when you are leaving you have to do the same thing again."

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