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A0001: Are You Ready yet?

Introduction

Sometimes people are just too slow! And then they hurry too much! In this lesson JP and Liliana teach us how to create time pressure and how to react to it and—most importantly—to relax. The keyword is **tranquila** – relaxed (for feminine nouns).

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Dialogue

hombre: **¿Ya estás lista?**

mujer: **¡Espera un momento!**

hombre: **Tranquila. Todavía tenemos tiempo.**

mujer: **Menos mal.**



Dialogue with Translation



hombre: **¿Ya estás lista?**
already (you) are ready
man: Are you ready yet?

mujer: **¡Espera un momento!**
(you) wait a moment
woman: Wait a moment!

hombre: **Tranquila. Todavía tenemos tiempo.**
relaxed still (we) have time
man: Relax! We still have time.

mujer: **Menos mal.**
less badly
woman: Good.

Vocabulary for Dialogue

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| el hombre | <i>noun</i> <i>(masculine)</i> | the man |
| la mujer | <i>noun</i> <i>(feminine)</i> | the woman |
| ya | <i>adverb</i> | already |
| estar | <i>verb (infinitive)</i> | to be |
| (tú) estás | <i>verb (present tense)</i> | you are (informal, singular) |
| listo/lista | <i>adjective</i> <i>(m./f.)</i> | ready |
| esperar | <i>verb (infinitive)</i> | to wait |
| ¡(tú) espera! | <i>verb</i> <i>(imperative)</i> | (you) wait! (informal, singular) |
| un/una | <i>article (m./f.)</i> | a |
| el momento | <i>noun</i> <i>(masculine)</i> | the moment |



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|---|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| tranquilo/tranquila | <i>adjective</i> (<i>m./f.</i>) | relaxed, calm |
| todavía | <i>adverb</i> | still |
| tener | <i>verb (infinitive)</i> | to have |
| (nosotros/-as) tenemos | <i>verb (present</i> <i>tense)</i> | we have |
| el tiempo | <i>noun</i> (<i>masculine</i>) | the time |
| menos | <i>adverb</i> | less |
| mal | <i>adverb</i> | badly |
| menos mal | <i>phrase</i> | OK, good |

Vocabulary for Audio Lesson

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| el tiempo | <i>noun</i> (<i>masculine</i>) | the time, the weather |
| ¿cómo? | <i>adverb</i> | how? |
| ¿Cómo está el tiempo? | <i>phrase</i> | How is the weather? |
| el clima | <i>noun</i> (<i>masculine</i>) | the climate, the weather |
| tranquilos/tranquilas | <i>adjective</i> (<i>plural, m./f.</i>) | relaxed, calm |
| ¡(usted) espere! | <i>verb</i> (<i>imperative</i>) | (you) wait! (formal, singular) |
| ¡(ustedes) esperen! | <i>verb</i> (<i>imperative</i>) | (you) wait! (formal, plural) |



More Vocabulary

This section includes grammatically related words. Some of them are required by the exercise Dialogue Recast.



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| esperar <i>infinitive</i> | to wait |
| ¡(tú) espera! <i>imperative</i> | (you) wait! (informal, singular) |
| ¡(usted) espere! | (you) wait! (formal, singular) |
| ¡(nosotros/-as) esperemos! | (let's) wait! (m./f.) |
| ¡(vosotros/-as) esperad! | (you) wait! (informal, plural, m./f.) |
| ¡(ustedes) esperen! | (you) wait! (formal, plural) |

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| estar <i>infinitive</i> | to be |
| (yo) estoy <i>present tense</i> | I am |
| (tú) estás | you are (informal, singular) |
| (él/ella) está | he/she(/it) is |
| (usted) está | you are (formal, singular) |
| (nosotros/-as) estamos | we are (m./f.) |
| (vosotros/-as) estáis | you are (informal, plural, m./f.) |
| (ellos/ellas) están | they are (m./f.) |
| (ustedes) están | you are (formal, plural) |

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| tener <i>infinitive</i> | to have |
| (yo) tengo <i>present tense</i> | I have |
| (tú) tienes | you have (informal, singular) |
| (él/ella) tiene | he/she(/it) has |
| (usted) tiene | you have (formal, singular) |
| (nosotros/-as) tenemos | we have (m./f.) |
| (vosotros/-as) tenéis | you have (informal, plural, m./f.) |
| (ellos/ellas) tienen | they have (m./f.) |
| (ustedes) tienen | you have (formal, plural) |

Exercises

Dialogue Translation



Cover the right column, translate from Spanish to English and uncover the right column line by line to check your answers. If possible, read the Spanish sentences aloud.

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| ¿Ya estás lista? | Are you ready yet? |
| ¡Espera un momento! | Wait a moment! |
| Tranquila. Todavía tenemos tiempo. | Relax! We still have time. |
| Menos mal. | Good./Less bad. |

Dialogue Recall

Now translate from English to Spanish. Remember to say the Spanish sentences aloud.

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|----------------------------|---|
| Are you ready yet? | ¿Ya estás listo/lista? |
| Wait a moment! | ¡Espera un momento! |
| Relax! We still have time. | Tranquilo/tranquila. Todavía tenemos tiempo. |
| Good (= less bad). | Menos mal. |

Dialogue Remix

Translate this variant of the dialogue from English to Spanish.

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| Do we have time? | ¿Tenemos tiempo? |
| We still have time. | Todavía tenemos tiempo. |
| Do we still have a moment? | ¿Todavía tenemos un momento? |
| We still have a moment. | Todavía tenemos un momento. |
| Are you ready? | ¿Estás listo/lista? |
| Wait a moment! | ¡Espera un momento! |
| Relax! We still have time. | Tranquilo/tranquila. Todavía tenemos tiempo. |
| Good (= less bad). | Menos mal. |
| Are you already relaxed? | ¿Ya estás tranquilo/tranquila? |

Dialogue Recast

This translation exercise requires some of the words from the More Vocabulary section.

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| Are you ready yet? (formal) | ¿Ya está listo/lista (usted)? |
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Wait a moment! (formal)
Relax! I still have time.

Good (= less bad).

¡Espere un momento!
Tranquilo/tranquila. Todavía tengo tiempo.
Menos mal.

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