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A0003: At the Bar

Introduction

Ordering beer, one of the essential surviving techniques in the civilized world. At least for some people. Probably the keyword **una cerveza** – a beer is sufficient to order beer, but in the civilized world we might want to use a few more words. JP and Liliana tell us all about it.

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Dialogue

hombre: **Buenas tardes. ¿Qué le sirvo?**

mujer: **Quiero una cerveza.**

hombre: **¿Clara u obscura?**

mujer: **Obscura por favor.**



Dialogue with Translation



hombre: **Buenas tardes. ¿Qué le sirvo?**
good afternoons what (to) you (I) serve
man: Good afternoon. What can I serve you?

mujer: **Quiero una cerveza.**
(I) want a beer
woman: I like a beer.

hombre: **¿Clara u oscura?**
clear or dark
man: Regular or dark?

mujer: **Oscura por favor.**
dark please
woman: Dark, please.

Vocabulary for Dialogue

el hombre	<i>noun (masculine)</i>	the man
la mujer	<i>noun (feminine)</i>	the woman
bueno/buena	<i>adjective (m./f.)</i>	good
buenos/buenas	<i>adjective (plural, m./f.)</i>	good
la tarde	<i>noun (feminine)</i>	the afternoon
las tardes	<i>noun (plural, feminine)</i>	the afternoons
buenas tardes	<i>phrase</i>	good afternoon
¿qué?	<i>pronoun</i>	what?
le	<i>indirect object pronoun</i>	(to) you (formal, singular)
servir	<i>verb (infinitive)</i>	to serve
(yo) sirvo	<i>verb (present tense)</i>	I serve
querer	<i>verb (infinitive)</i>	to want, to like



la cerveza – the beer

(yo) quiero	<i>verb (present tense)</i>	I want, I like
uno/una	<i>number (m./f.)</i>	one
un/una	<i>article (m./f.)</i>	a
la cerveza	<i>noun (feminine)</i>	the beer
claro/clara	<i>adjective (m./f.)</i>	clear, bright
o	<i>conjunction</i>	or
u	<i>conjunction (before "o")</i>	or
oscuro/oscuro	<i>adjective (m./f.)</i>	dark
por favor	<i>phrase</i>	please

Vocabulary for Audio Lesson

¿Me da una cerveza por favor?	<i>phrase</i>	Do you give me a beer, please?
cerveza light	<i>phrase</i>	light beer
la cerveza clara	<i>phrase</i>	the regular beer
claros/claras	<i>adjective (plural, m./f.)</i>	clear, bright
la cerveza oscura	<i>phrase</i>	the dark beer
oscuros/oscuro	<i>adjective (plural, m./f.)</i>	dark
el vino	<i>noun (masculine)</i>	the wine
blanco/blanca	<i>adjective (m./f.)</i>	white
el vino blanco	<i>phrase</i>	the white wine
el vino tinto	<i>phrase</i>	the red wine
la michelada	<i>noun (feminine)</i>	the beer with lime, salt, and sauces
Méjico/México lindo	<i>phrase</i>	beautiful Mexico
hasta luego	<i>phrase</i>	see you later



More Vocabulary



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

me <i>indirect object pronoun</i>	(to) me
te	(to) you (informal, singular)
le	(to) him/her(/it)
le	(to) you (formal, singular)
nos	(to) us
os	(to) you (informal, plural)
les	(to) them
les	(to) you (formal, plural)
servir <i>infinitive</i>	I serve
(yo) sirvo <i>present tense</i>	I serve
(tú) sirves	you serve (informal, singular)
(él/ella) sirve	he/she(/it) serves
(usted) sirve	you serve (formal, singular)
(nosotros/-as) servimos	we serve (m./f.)
(vosotros/-as) servís	you serve (informal, plural, m./f.)
(ellos/ellas) sirven	they serve (m./f.)
(ustedes) sirven	you serve (formal, plural)
querer <i>infinitive</i>	to want
(yo) quiero <i>present tense</i>	I want
(tú) quieres	you want (informal, singular)
(él/ella) quiere	he/she(/it) wants
(usted) quiere	you want (formal, singular)
(nosotros/-as) queremos	we want (m./f.)

(vosotros/-as) queréis
(ellos/ellas) quieren
(ustedes) quieren

you want (informal, plural, m./f.)
they want (m./f.)
you want (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.

Buenas tardes. ¿Qué le sirvo?

Good afternoon. What can I serve you?

Quiero una cerveza.

I like a beer.

¿Clara u oscura?

Regular or dark?

Oscura por favor.

Dark, please.

Dialogue Recall

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

Good afternoon. What do I serve you? **Buenas tardes. ¿Qué le sirvo?**
(formal)

I like a beer.

Quiero una cerveza.

Regular or dark?

¿Clara u oscura?

Dark, please.

Oscura por favor.

Dialogue Remix

Translate this variant of the dialogue from English to Spanish.

Good afternoon.

Buenas tardes.

Good. (plural, feminine)

Buenas. (short for **buenas tardes**)

I want one, please.

Quiero una por favor.

What?	¿Qué?
One afternoon, please.	Una tarde por favor.
Good. What can I serve you? (formal)	Bueno. ¿Qué le sirvo?
I want a ...	Quiero un/una ...
A beer or a red wine or a white wine?	¿Una cerveza o un vino tinto o un vino blanco?
I like a good beer.	Quiero una cerveza buena.
A good beer? A dark beer?	¿Una cerveza buena? ¿Una cerveza oscura?
I want a michelada, please.	Quiero una michelada por favor.
Good. I serve you a good michelada. (formal)	Bueno. Le sirvo una michelada buena.
Good.	Bueno.
Good.	Bueno.

Dialogue Recast

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

Good afternoon. What do I serve you? (formal, plural)	Buenas tardes. ¿Qué les sirvo?
We like a beer.	Queremos una cerveza.
Regular or dark?	¿Clara u oscura?
Dark, please.	Oscura por favor.


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