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A0005: Take a Picture

Introduction

Asking strangers for a favor can be pretty difficult for the less extrovert of us—even in our native language. But with a few Spanish words it's actually not that hard as Liliana and JP show us in this lesson. The keyphrase is **tomar una foto** – to take a picture.

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Dialogue

hombre: ¡Señorita!

mujer: ¿Sí?

hombre: ¡Disculpe! ¿Nos podría tomar una foto por favor?

mujer: ¿Cómo no? ¡Sonrían!

hombre: Gracias.



Dialogue with Translation

hombre: ¡Señorita!

miss man: Miss!

mujer: ¿Sí?

yes

woman: Yes?

hombre: ¡Disculpe! ¿Nos podría tomar una foto por favor?

> (you) excuse (for) us (you) could take a photo please

man: Excuse me, could you please take a picture for us?

mujer: ¿Cómo no? ¡Sonrían!

how not (you) smile

woman: How could I not? Smile!

hombre: Gracias.

thanks

man: Thanks.

Vocabulary for Dialogue

el hombre noun (masculine) the man la mujer noun (feminine) the woman *noun (feminine)* la señorita the miss SÍ yes

adverb

disculpar *verb* (*infinitive*) to excuse

(usted) *verb* (*imperative*) disculpe!

indirect object nos

poder *verb* (*infinitive*)

(to/for) us pronoun can



la señorita the miss

(you) excuse!

(formal)

verb (conditional (usted) podría you could (formal) tense)

tomar *verb* (*infinitive*) to take

un/una article (m./f.) a

la fotografía *noun* (feminine) the photo la foto noun (feminine) the photo por favor please phrase ¿cómo? adverb how? adverb no not, no verb (infinitive) sonreír to smile

(you) smile! (formal, (ustedes) *verb* (*imperative*)

sonrían! plural)

noun (feminine, gracias thanks

plural)

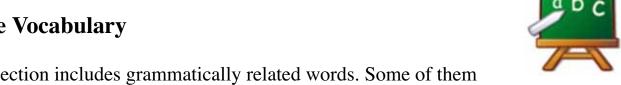
Vocabulary for Audio Lesson

el señor noun (masculine) the mister la tarea noun (feminine) the exercise la señora noun (feminine) the mistress

very respectful form of address **Don Pedro** phrase Doña Paula phrase very respectful form of address

hasta luego phrase see you soon

More Vocabulary



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

> poder infinitive can (yo) podría conditional tense I could

(tú) podrías you could (informal, singular)

(él/ella) podría he/she(/it) could

(usted) podría (nosotros/-as) podríamos	you could (formal, singular) we could (m./f.)
(vosotros/-as) podríais	you could (informal, plural, m./f.)
(ellos/ellas) podrían (ustedes) podrían	they could (m./f.) you could (formal, plural)
me indirect object pronoun	(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)
disculpar infinitive	to excuse
¡(tú) disculpa! imperative	(you) excuse! (informal, singular)
(usted) disculpe!	(you) excuse! (formal, singular)
;(nosotros/-as) disculpemos!	(let's) excuse! (m./f.)
(vosotros/-as) disculpad!	(you) excuse! (informal, plural, m./f.)
(ustedes) disculpen!	(you) excuse! (formal, plural)
sonreír infinitive	to smile
;(tú) sonríe! imperative	(you) smile! (informal, singular)
(usted) sonría!	(you) smile! (formal, singular)
(nosotros/-as)	
sonriamos!	(let's) smile! (m./f.)
;(vosotros/-as) sonreíd!	(you) smile! (informal, plural)
;(ustedes) sonrían!	(you) smile! (formal, plural)

tomar infinitive to take (yo) tomo present tense I take

(tú) tomas you take (informal, singular)

(él/ella) toma he/she(/it) takes

(usted) toma you take (formal, singular)

(nosotros/-as) tomamos we take (m./f.)

(vosotros/-as) tomáis you take (informal, plural, m./f.)

(ellos/ellas) toman they take (m./f.)

(ustedes) toman you take (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.

¡Señorita! Miss!
¿Sí? Yes?
¡Disculpe! ¿Nos podría tomar una Excuse me, could you please take a

foto por favor? picture for us?

¿Cómo no? ¡Sonrían! Of course./How could I not? Smile!

Gracias. Thanks.

Dialogue Recall

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

Miss! ¡Señorita! Yes? ¿Sí?

Excuse me! Could you take a photo ¡Disculpe! ¿Nos podría tomar una

for us, please? (formal) **foto por favor?**

Of course! Smile! (formal) ¿Cómo no? ¡Sonrían!

Thanks. Gracias.

Dialogue Remix

Translate this variant of the dialogue from English to Spanish.

Sir! Excuse me! ¡Señor! ¡Disculpe!

Yes? ¿Sí?

No! ¡No!

Sir, please! Señor, ;por favor! Yes, of course. Sí, ¿cómo no?

Thanks! Gracias!

Sir, miss, smile. Señor, señorita, sonrían.

Dialogue Recast

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

Miss! ¡Señorita! Yes? ¿Sí?

Excuse me! Could you take a photo ¡Disculpa! ¿Me podrías tomar una

for me, please? (informal) foto por favor?

Of course! Smile! (informal) ¿Cómo no? ¡Sonríe!

Thanks. Gracias.

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