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A0086: Are You Single?

Introduction

Liliana and JP teach us the basics of flirting — Latino style! Well, or maybe the girl is just practising Spanish... who knows? In any case, our keyword is: **soltero** — single (for “dudes”).

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Dialogue

mujer: ¿Eres soltero?

hombre: Sí. ¿Y tú?

mujer: No, tengo novio.

hombre: ¡Qué lástima!



Dialogue with Translation



mujer: **¿Eres soltero?**
(you) are single
woman: Are you single?

hombre: **Sí. ¿Y tú?**
yes and you
man: Yes. How about you?

mujer: **No, tengo novio.**
no (I) have boyfriend
woman: No, I have a boyfriend.

hombre: **¡Qué lástima!**
what pity
man: What a pity!

Vocabulary for Dialogue

la mujer	<i>noun (feminine)</i>	the woman
el hombre	<i>noun (masculine)</i>	the man
ser	<i>verb (infinitive)</i>	to be
(tú) eres	<i>verb (present tense)</i>	you are (informal, singular)
soltero/soltera	<i>adjective (m./f.)</i>	single
sí	<i>adverb</i>	yes
y	<i>conjunction</i>	and
tú	<i>subject pronoun</i>	you (informal, singular)
no	<i>adverb</i>	no
tener	<i>verb (infinitive)</i>	to have
(yo) tengo	<i>verb (present tense)</i>	I have



el novio	<i>noun</i> (<i>masculine</i>)	the boyfriend
la novia	<i>noun</i> (<i>feminine</i>)	the girlfriend
¿qué?	<i>pronoun</i>	what?, how?
la lástima	<i>noun</i> (<i>feminine</i>)	the pity, the shame

Vocabulary for Audio Lesson

hasta	<i>preposition</i>	until
luego	<i>adverb</i>	then
hasta luego	<i>phrase</i>	see you later
mañana	<i>adverb</i>	tomorrow
hasta mañana	<i>phrase</i>	see you tomorrow

More Vocabulary



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

ser <i>infinitive</i>	to be
(yo) soy <i>present tense</i>	I am
(tú) eres	you are (informal, singular)
(él/ella) es	he/she(/it) is
(usted) es	you are (formal, singular)
(nosotros/-as) somos	we are (m./f.)
(vosotros/-as) sois	you are (informal, plural, m./f.)
(ellos/ellas) son	they are (m./f.)
(ustedes) son	you are (formal, plural)

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
(nosotros/-as) tenemos
(vosotros/-as) tenéis
(ellos/ellas) tienen
(ustedes) tienen

you have (formal, singular)
we have (m./f.)
you have (informal, plural, m./f.)
they have (m./f.)
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.

¿Eres soltero?

Are you single?

Sí. ¿Y tú?

Yes. How about you?

No, tengo novio.

No, I have a boyfriend.

¡Qué lástima!

What a pity!

Dialogue Recall

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

Are you single?

¿Eres soltero?

Yes. How about you?

Sí. ¿Y tú?

No, I have a boyfriend.

No, tengo novio.

What a pity!

¡Qué lástima!

Dialogue Remix

Translate this variant of the dialogue from English to Spanish.

Are you single? (masculine!)

¿Eres soltero?

No. I have a boyfriend.

No, tengo novio.

What? — What a pity!

¿Qué? — ¡Qué lástima!

And you? Are you single? (feminine)	¿Y tú? ¿Eres soltera?
Yes.	Sí.
A pity...	Lástima...

Dialogue Recast

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

Are you single? (formal)	¿Es soltero?
Yes. How about you? (formal)	Sí. ¿Y usted?
No, I have a boyfriend.	No, tengo novio.
What a pity!	¡Qué lástima!

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