

# Spanish by Choice/SpanishPod newbie lesson A0006/Print version

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## A0006: How's It Going?

### Introduction

It's really useful to know how to start a conversation in order to have one! Liliana and JP talk about all we need: greetings, compliments, and how to respond to them. The keyword is **guapa** – beautiful (for feminine nouns).

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### Dialogue

*hombre:* ¡Hola, guapa! ¿Cómo te va?

*mujer:* Bien, bien. ¿Y tú? ¿Qué tal?

*hombre:* Todo bien, gracias.

*mujer:* Me alegra.



## Dialogue with Translation



*hombre:* **¡Hola, guapa! ¿Cómo te va?**  
*hello beautiful how (for) you (it) goes*  
*man:* Hello, beautiful! How is it going for you?

*mujer:* **Bien, bien. Y tú, ¿qué tal?**  
*good good and you how so*  
*woman:* Good, good. And you, how are you?

*hombre:* **Todo bien, gracias.**  
*all good thanks*  
*man:* Everything's fine, thanks.

*mujer:* **Me alegra.**  
*me (it) delights*  
*woman:* That makes me happy.

## Vocabulary for Dialogue

<b>el hombre</b>	<i>noun (masculine)</i>	the man
<b>la mujer</b>	<i>noun (feminine)</i>	the woman
<b>hola</b>	<i>interjection</i>	hello
<b>guapo/guapa</b>	<i>adjective (m./f.)</i>	beautiful
<b>¿cómo?</b>	<i>adverb</i>	how?
<b>te</b>	<i>indirect object pronoun</i>	(to/for) you
<b>ir</b>	<i>verb (infinitive)</i>	to go
<b>(él/ella) va</b>	<i>verb (present tense)</i>	he/she(/it) goes
<b>bien</b>	<i>adverb</i>	well, good
<b>y</b>	<i>conjunction</i>	and
<b>tú</b>	<i>subject pronoun</i>	you
<b>¿Qué tal?</b>	<i>phrase</i>	How are you?
<b>todo/toda</b>	<i>adjective (m./f.)</i>	all
<b>gracias</b>	<i>phrase</i>	thanks
<b>me</b>	<i>indirect object pronoun</i>	(to/for) me

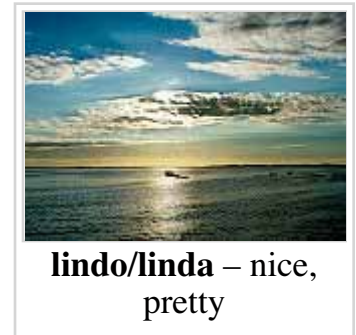


**guapo/guapa** –  
handsome,  
beautiful

<b>alegrar</b>	<i>verb (infinitive)</i>	to delight
<b>(él/ella) alegra</b>	<i>verb (present tense)</i>	he/she(/it) delights

## Vocabulary for Audio Lesson

<b>hacer</b>	<i>verb (infinitive)</i>	to make
<b>(tú) haces</b>	<i>verb (present tense)</i>	you make (informal, singular)
<b>¿Cómo haces tacos?</b>	<i>phrase</i>	How do you make tacos? (informal, singular)
<b>poder</b>	<i>verb (infinitive)</i>	can
<b>(tú) puedes</b>	<i>verb (present tense)</i>	you can (informal, singular)
<b>los</b>	<i>direct object pronoun</i>	them
<b>¿Cómo los puedes hacer?</b>	<i>phrase</i>	How can you make them? (informal, singular)
<b>lindo/linda</b>	<i>adjective (m./f.)</i>	nice, pretty
<b>feo/fea</b>	<i>adjective (m./f.)</i>	ugly
<b>¡Hola, guapo!</b>	<i>phrase</i>	Hello, handsome!
<b>hasta luego</b>	<i>phrase</i>	see you later



## More Vocabulary

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

<b>me</b>	<i>indirect object pronoun</i>	(to) me
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<b>te</b>	(to) you (informal, singular)
<b>le</b>	(to) him/her(/it)
<b>le</b>	(to) you (formal, singular)
<b>nos</b>	(to) us
<b>os</b>	(to) you (informal, plural)
<b>les</b>	(to) them
<b>les</b>	(to) you (formal, plural)

<b>ir</b> <i>infinitive</i>	to go
<b>(yo) voy</b> <i>present tense</i>	I go
<b>(tú) vas</b>	you go (informal, singular)
<b>(él/ella) va</b>	he/she(/it) goes
<b>(usted) va</b>	you go (formal, singular)
<b>(nosotros/-as) vamos</b>	we go (m./f.)
<b>(vosotros/-as) vais</b>	you go (informal, plural, m./f.)
<b>(ellos/ellas) van</b>	they go (m./f.)
<b>(ustedes) van</b>	you go (formal, plural)

<b>alegrar</b> <i>infinitive</i>	to delight
<b>(yo) alegro</b> <i>present tense</i>	I delight
<b>(tú) alegras</b>	you delight (informal, singular)
<b>(él/ella) alegra</b>	he/she(/it) delights
<b>(usted) alegra</b>	you delight (formal, singular)
<b>(nosotros/-as) alegramos</b>	we delight (m./f.)
<b>(vosotros/-as) alegráis</b>	you delight (informal, plural, m./f.)
<b>(ellos/ellas) alegran</b>	they delight (m./f.)
<b>(ustedes) alegran</b>	you delight (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.

**¡Hola, guapa! ¿Cómo te va?**

Hello, beautiful! How is it going for you?

**Bien, bien. ¿Y tú? ¿Qué tal?**

Good, good. And you, how are you?

**Todo bien, gracias.**

Everything's fine, thanks.

**Me alegra.**

That makes me happy.

### Dialogue Recall

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

Hello, beautiful (feminine)! How is it going for you?

**¡Hola, guapa! ¿Cómo te va?**

Good, good. And you? How are you?

**Bien, bien. ¿Y tú? ¿Qué tal?**

Everything's fine, thanks.

**Todo bien, gracias.**

That makes me happy.

**Me alegra.**

### Dialogue Remix

Translate this variant of the dialogue from English to Spanish.

Hello, handsome (masculine)!

**¡Hola, guapo!**

Hello, ugly (feminine)! How are you?

**¡Hola, fea! ¿Cómo te va? (or: ¿Qué tal?)**

Everything's fine. Thanks, ugly (masculine). And you?

**Todo bien. Gracias, feo. ¿Y tú?**

Good. Everything goes fine.

**Bien. Todo va bien.**

How good! I'm delighted.

**¡Qué bien! Me alegra.**

### Dialogue Recast

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

Hello, beautiful (feminine)! How is it going for you? (formal)

Good, good. And you? How are you? (formal)

Everything's fine, thanks.

That makes us happy.

**¡Hola, guapa! ¿Cómo le va?**

**Bien, bien. ¿Y usted? ¿Qué tal?**

**Todo bien, gracias.**

**Nos alegra.**

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