

# Spanish by Choice/SpanishPod newbie lesson A0116/Print version

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## A0116: Do You Want a Mint?

### Introduction

The topic of this lesson is irregular breath and how to deal with it. Our keyword is also irregular: **huele** – it smells from the irregular verb **oler** – to smell.

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### Dialogue

*hombre:* ¿Quieres una menta?

*mujer:* ¿Por qué? ¿Me huele la boca?

*hombre:* Sí, ¡toma!



## Dialogue with Translation

*mujer:* ¿Quieres una menta?  
(you) want a mint  
*woman:* Do you want a mint?



*hombre:* ¿Por qué? ¿Me huele la boca?  
why (to) me smells the mouth  
*man:* Why? Does my mouth stink?

*mujer:* Sí, ¡toma!  
yes (you) take  
*woman:* Yes, take this!

## Vocabulary for Dialogue

<b>la mujer</b>	<i>noun (feminine)</i>	the woman
<b>el hombre</b>	<i>noun (masculine)</i>	the man
<b>querer</b>	<i>verb (infinitive)</i>	to want
<b>(tú) quieres</b>	<i>verb (present tense)</i>	you want (informal, singular)
<b>un/una</b>	<i>article (m./f.)</i>	a
<b>la menta</b>	<i>noun (feminine)</i>	the mint
<b>¿por qué?</b>	<i>adverb</i>	why?
<b>me</b>	<i>indirect object pronoun</i>	(to) me
<b>oler</b>	<i>verb (infinitive)</i>	to smell
<b>(él/ella) huele</b>	<i>verb (present tense)</i>	he/she(/it) smells
<b>la boca</b>	<i>noun (feminine)</i>	the mouth
<b>sí</b>	<i>adverb</i>	yes
<b>tomar</b>	<i>verb (infinitive)</i>	to take
<b>¡(tú) toma!</b>	<i>verb (imperative)</i>	you take! (informal, singular)



**la menta** – the mint



**la boca** – the mouth

## Vocabulary for Audio Lesson

**hasta luego** *phrase* see you later

**hasta mañana** *phrase* until tomorrow

## More Vocabulary



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

**querer** *infinitive*

to want

(yo) **quiero** *present tense*

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**

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

(ellos/ellas) **quieren**

they want (m./f.)

(ustedes) **quieren**

you want (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)

**oler** *infinitive*

to smell

(yo) **huelo** *present tense*

I smell

(tú) **huelas**

you smell (informal, singular)

**(él/ella) huele**  
**(usted) huele**  
**(nosotros/-as) olemos**  
**(vosotros/-as) oléis**  
**(ellos/ellas) huelen**  
**(ustedes) huelen**

he/she(/it) smells  
you smell (formal, singular)  
we smell (m./f.)  
you smell (informal, plural, m./f.)  
they smell (m./f.)  
you smell (formal, plural)

**tomar** *infinitive*  
**¡(tú) toma!** *imperative*  
**¡(usted) tome!**  
**¡(nosotros/-as)**  
**tomemos!**  
**¡(vosotros/-as) tomad!**  
**¡(ustedes) tomen!**

to take  
(you) take! (informal, singular)  
(you) take! (formal, singular)  
(let's) take! (m./f.)  
(you) take! (informal, plural, m./f.)  
(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.

**¿Quieres una menta?**  
**¿Por qué? ¿Me huele la boca?**  
**Sí, ¡toma!**

Do you want a mint?  
Why? Does my mouth stink?  
Yes, take this!

### Dialogue Recall

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

Do you want a mint?  
Why? Does my mouth stink?  
Yes, take this!

**¿Quieres una menta?**  
**¿Por qué? ¿Me huele la boca?**  
**Sí, ¡toma!**

## Dialogue Remix

Translate this variant of the dialogue from English to Spanish.

Take a mint! Do you want to?  
Why?  
For (= **por**) the mouth.  
Does my breath smell?  
Yes, take it!

**¿Toma una menta! ¿Quieres?**  
**¿Por qué?**  
**Por la boca.**  
**¿Me huele la boca?**  
**Sí, ¡toma!**

## Dialogue Recast

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

Do you want a mint? (formal)  
Why? Does my mouth stink?  
Yes, take this! (formal)

**¿Quiere una menta?**  
**¿Por qué? ¿Me huele la boca?**  
**Sí, ¡tome!**

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