

# Spanish by Choice/SpanishPod newbie lesson A0013/Print version

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## A0013: Doing the Laundry

### Introduction

Searching for something can be quite frustrating; thus, it's usually better to ask. Liliana and JP teach us how. Moreover, we learn about an easy way to express the future, how to say “there is” in Spanish, and more. The keywords are: **no sé** – I don't know; and **¿dónde?** – where?

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### Dialogue

*hombre:* **Voy a lavar la ropa. ¿Hay detergente?**

*mujer:* **Sí hay, abajo en la cocina.**

*hombre:* **¿Dónde? ¿En qué parte?**

*mujer:* **No sé. ¡Búscalo!**



## Dialogue with Translation



**hombre: Voy a lavar la ropa. ¿Hay detergente?**

*(I) go to wash the clothes there is detergent*

**man: I'm going to wash clothes. Is there detergent?**

**mujer: Sí hay, abajo en la cocina.**

*yes there is down in the kitchen*

**woman: Yes, there is, downstairs in the kitchen.**

**hombre: ¿Dónde? ¿En qué parte?**

*where in what part*

**man: Where? In what part?**

**mujer: No sé. ¡Búscaló!**

*no (I) know (you) search it*

**woman: I don't know. Look for it.**

## Vocabulary for Dialogue

<b>el hombre</b>	<i>noun (masculine)</i>	the man
<b>la mujer</b>	<i>noun (feminine)</i>	the woman
<b>ir</b>	<i>verb (infinitive)</i>	to go
<b>(yo) voy</b>	<i>verb (present tense)</i>	I go
<b>a</b>	<i>preposition</i>	to
<b>lavar</b>	<i>verb (infinitive)</i>	to wash
<b>voy a lavar</b>	<i>phrase</i>	I'm going to wash
<b>la ropa</b>	<i>noun (feminine)</i>	the clothes
<b>hay</b>	<i>verb (present tense)</i>	there is, there are
<b>el detergente</b>	<i>noun (masculine)</i>	the detergent
<b>sí</b>	<i>adverb</i>	yes



**la ropa – the clothes**



**la cocina – the kitchen**

<b>abajo</b>	<i>adverb</i>	down, below, downstairs
<b>en</b>	<i>preposition</i>	in
<b>la cocina</b>	<i>noun (feminine)</i>	the kitchen
<b>¿dónde?</b>	<i>adverb</i>	where?
<b>¿qué?</b>	<i>pronoun</i>	what?
<b>la parte</b>	<i>noun (feminine)</i>	the part
<b>no</b>	<i>adverb</i>	no
<b>saber</b>	<i>verb (infinitive)</i>	to know
<b>(yo) sé</b>	<i>verb (present tense)</i>	I know
<b>buscar</b>	<i>verb (infinitive)</i>	to search
<b>¡(tú) busca!</b>	<i>verb (imperative)</i>	(you) search! (informal, singular)
<b>lo</b>	<i>pronoun</i>	him, it
<b>¡(tú) búscaló!</b>	<i>phrase</i>	(you) look for it! (informal, singular)

## Vocabulary for Audio Lesson

<b>la comida</b>	<i>noun (feminine)</i>	the food
<b>la gasolina</b>	<i>noun (feminine)</i>	the gasoline
<b>las mujeres</b>	<i>noun (plural, feminine)</i>	the women
<b>guapo/guapa</b>	<i>adjective (m./f.)</i>	beautiful
<b>guapos/guapas</b>	<i>adjective (plural, m./f.)</i>	beautiful
<b>la mujer guapa</b>	<i>phrase</i>	the beautiful woman
<b>las mujeres guapas</b>	<i>phrase</i>	the beautiful women
<b>comer</b>	<i>verb (infinitive)</i>	to eat
<b>voy a comer</b>	<i>phrase</i>	I'm going to eat
<b>bailar</b>	<i>verb (infinitive)</i>	to dance
<b>el cine</b>	<i>noun (masculine)</i>	the cinema
<b>al (= a el)</b>	<i>phrase</i>	to the
<b>voy al cine</b>	<i>phrase</i>	I'm going to the movies
<b>el teatro</b>	<i>noun (masculine)</i>	the theater
<b>voy al teatro</b>	<i>phrase</i>	I'm going to the theater

**hasta luego**

*phrase*

see you later

## More Vocabulary



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

<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>saber</b> <i>infinitive</i>	to know
<b>(yo) sé</b> <i>present tense</i>	I know
<b>(tú) sabes</b>	you know (informal, singular)
<b>(él/ella) sabe</b>	he/she(/it) knows
<b>(usted) sabe</b>	you know (formal, singular)
<b>(nosotros/-as) sabemos</b>	we know (m./f.)
<b>(vosotros/-as) sabéis</b>	you know (informal, plural, m./f.)
<b>(ellos/ellas) saben</b>	they know (m./f.)
<b>(ustedes) saben</b>	you know (formal, plural)
<b>buscar</b> <i>infinitive</i>	to search
<b>¡(tú) busca!</b> <i>imperative</i>	(you) search! (informal, singular)
<b>¡(usted) busque!</b>	(you) search! (formal, singular)
<b>¡(nosotros/-as) busquemos!</b>	(let's) search! (m./f.)

¡(vosotros/-as) buscad!

(you) search! (informal, plural, m./f.)

¡(ustedes) busquen!

(you) search! (formal, plural)

**me** *direct object pronoun*

me

**te**

you (informal, singular)

**lo/la**

him/her(/it)

**lo/la**

you (formal, singular, m./f.)

**nos**

us

**os**

you (informal, plural)

**los/las**

them (m./f.)

**los/las**

you (formal, plural, m./f.)

## 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.

**Voy a lavar la ropa. ¿Hay detergente?**

I'm going to wash clothes. Is there detergent?

**Sí hay, abajo en la cocina.**

Yes, there is, downstairs in the kitchen.

**¿Dónde? ¿En qué parte?**

Where? In what part?

**No sé. ¡Búscalo!**

I don't know. Look for it.

### Dialogue Recall

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

I'm going to wash clothes. Is there detergent?

**Voy a lavar la ropa. ¿Hay detergente?**

Yes, there is, downstairs in the kitchen. **Sí hay, abajo en la cocina.**

Where? In what part?  
I don't know. Look for it.

**¿Dónde? ¿En qué parte?  
No sé. ¡Búscalo!**

## **Dialogue Remix**

Translate this variant of the dialogue from English to Spanish.

I'm going to wash the clothes in the kitchen.

**Voy a lavar la ropa en la cocina.**

There is no detergent.

**No hay detergente.**

I'm going to look for it.

**Voy a buscarlo.**

What?

**¿Qué?**

The detergent.

**El detergente.**

There is no detergent!

**¡No hay detergente!**

Yes, I'm going to look for it.

**Sí, voy a buscarlo.**

Where?

**¿Dónde?**

Downstairs in the kitchen.

**Abajo en la cocina.**

In what part?

**¿En qué parte?**

I don't know.

**No sé.**

Look for it.

**¡Búscalo!**

## **Dialogue Recast**

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

We're going to wash clothes. Is there detergent?

**Vamos a lavar la ropa. ¿Hay detergente?**

Yes, there is, downstairs in the kitchen.

**Sí hay, abajo en la cocina.**

Where? In what part?

**¿Dónde? ¿En qué parte?**

You don't know (informal). Let us look for it!

**No sabes. ¡Busquemoslo!**

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