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A0001: Are You Ready yet?

Introduction

Sometimes people are just too slow! And then they hurry too much! In this lesson JP and Liliana teach us how to create time pressure and how to react to it and—most importantly—to relax. The keyword is tranquila — relaxed (for feminine nouns).

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Dialogue

*hombre:* ¿Ya estás lista?
*mujer:* ¡Espera un momento!
*hombre:* Tranquila. Todavía tenemos tiempo.
*mujer:* Menos mal.
El tiempo – the
time

Dialogue with Translation

hombre: ¿Ya estás lista?
man: Are you ready yet?

mujer: ¡Espera un momento!
women: Wait a moment!

hombre: Tranquila. Todavía tenemos tiempo.
man: Relax! We still have time.

mujer: Menos mal.
woman: Good.

Vocabulary for Dialogue

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<th>Spanish</th>
<th>English</th>
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<td>el hombre</td>
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<td>la mujer</td>
<td>noun (feminine) the woman</td>
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<td>ya</td>
<td>adverb already</td>
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<td>estar</td>
<td>verb (infinitive) to be</td>
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<td>(tú) estás</td>
<td>verb (present tense) you are (informal, singular)</td>
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<td>listo/lista</td>
<td>adjective (m./f.) ready</td>
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tranquilo/tranquila  adjective (m./f.) relaxed, calm
todavía  adverb still
tener  verb (infinitive) to have
(nosotros/-as) teneremos  verb (present tense) we have
el tiempo  noun (masculine) the time
menos  adverb less
mal  adverb badly
menos mal  phrase OK, good

Vocabulary for Audio Lesson

el tiempo  noun (masculine) the time, the weather
¿cómo?  adverb how?
¿Cómo está el tiempo?  phrase How is the weather?
el clima  noun (masculine) the climate, the weather
tranquilos/tranquilas  adjective (plural, m./f.) relaxed, calm
¡(usted) espere!  verb (imperative) (you) wait! (formal, singular)
¡(ustedes) esperen!  verb (imperative) (you) wait! (formal, plural)

More Vocabulary

This section includes grammatically related words. Some of them are required by the exercise Dialogue Recast.
esperar **infinitive** to wait

¡(tú) espera! **imperative** (you) wait! (informal, singular)

¡(usted) espere! (you) wait! (formal, singular)

¡(nosotros/-as) esperemos! (let's) wait! (m./f.)

¡(vosotros/-as) esperad! (you) wait! (informal, plural, m./f.)

¡(ustedes) esperen! (you) wait! (formal, plural)

**estar** **infinitive** to be

(yo) estoy **present tense** I am

(tú) estás you are (informal, singular)

(él/ella) está he/she(/it) is

(usted) está you are (formal, singular)

(nosotros/-as) estamos we are (m./f.)

(vosotros/-as) estáis you are (informal, plural, m./f.)

(ellos/ellas) están they are (m./f.)

(ustedes) están you are (formal, plural)

tener **infinitive** to have

(yo) tengo **present tense** I have

(tú) tienes you have (informal, singular)

(él/ella) tiene he/she(/it) has

(usted) tiene you have (formal, singular)

(nosotros/-as) tenemos we have (m./f.)

(vosotros/-as) tenéis you have (informal, plural, m./f.)

(ellos/ellas) tienen they have (m./f.)

(ustedes) tienen 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.
¿Ya estás lista?
¿Ya está listo/lista?

¡Espera un momento!
¡Espera un momento!

Tranquila. Todavía tenemos tiempo.
Tranquilo/tranquila. Todavía tenemos tiempo.

Menos mal.
Menos mal.

**Dialogue Recall**

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

- Are you ready yet?
  - ¿Ya estás lista/lista?
- Wait a moment!
  - ¡Espera un momento!
- Relax! We still have time.
  - Tranquilo/tranquila. Todavía tenemos tiempo.
- Good (= less bad).
  - Menos mal.

**Dialogue Remix**

Translate this variant of the dialogue from English to Spanish.

- Do we have time?
  - ¿Tenemos tiempo?
- We still have time.
  - Todavía tenemos tiempo.
- Do we still have a moment?
  - ¿Todavía tenemos un momento?
- We still have a moment.
  - Todavía tenemos un momento.
- Are you ready?
  - ¿Estás listo/lista?
- Wait a moment!
  - ¡Espera un momento!
- Relax! We still have time.
  - Tranquilo/tranquila. Todavía tenemos tiempo.
- Good (= less bad).
  - Menos mal.
- Are you already relaxed?
  - ¿Ya estás tranquilo/tranquila?

**Dialogue Recast**

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

- Are you ready yet? (formal)
  - ¿Ya está listo/lista (usted)?
Wait a moment! (formal)
Relax! I still have time.

¡Espere un momento!
Tranquilo/tranquila. Todavía tengo tiempo.
Menos mal.

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