



## GROUP SESSION 3 EXERCISE 1

### ¿A qué se dedica? (What do you do for a living?)

Tell a brief story about a job you worked in. Consider some of the following key words and phrases, or find other words for your story. ¡Buena suerte!

#### MARCOS DE TIEMPO (Time Frames)

hace \_\_\_\_ años

\_\_\_\_ years ago

por \_\_\_\_ años

for \_\_\_\_ years

#### ACCIONES (Actions)

Yo era un (una)...

I was a...

Yo estaba a cargo de...

I was in charge of...

(Yo) trabajé...

I worked...

Yo trabajaba... (en) (como) (por)

I used to work...(in) (as) (for)

(Yo) hice. (Yo) construí. (Yo) ayudé

I made. I built. I helped

#### LUGARES (Places)

una empresa

a company

el gobierno

the government

una clínica

a clinic

una oficina

an office

#### OCUPACIONES (Occupations)

Un médico, Una médica

A doctor (m/f)

Un enfermero, Una enfermera

A nurse (m/f)

Un maestro, Una maestra

A teacher (m/f)

Un dueño, Una dueña

An owner (m/f)

Un (una) gerente

A manager

To practice and hear these words and phrases, go to:

<https://quizlet.com/469057444/week-three-exercise-1-flash-cards/>

#### OTRAS NOTAS (Other Notes)

**Past tenses.** This week, we introduce verbs in two past tenses: 1) The Preterite or Simple Past, and 2) the Imperfect, which typically is translated as “I used to...”

- (Yo) trabajé: I worked (Simple Past)
- Yo trabajaba: I used to work (Imperfect)

**Era / Estaba.** During the first week’s exercises, we introduced the two forms of “to be” in Spanish: *Ser* and *Estar*. This week, we introduce the **past tense** of these two important verbs. In almost all cases, using these two verbs in Spanish involves the Imperfect Tense, usually translated as “was” or “were.” As discussed the first week, “Era” is used to identify a fixed or essential quality, while “Estaba” indicates a temporary or assigned condition:

- Yo *era* maestro: I was a teacher (fixed or essential quality)
- Yo *estaba* a cargo de las ventas: I was in charge of sales (temporary or assigned condition)
- Cuando yo *era* joven: When I was young (fixed or essential quality)
- Cuando yo *estaba* enojado: When I was angry (temporary assigned condition)

**Los números.** With the emphasis on numbers of years (of work) and amounts of money (to pay a bill), this might be a good time to do a quick review of basic numbers. Once again, Anna of Butterfly Spanish has an excellent video to help: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iVyUMBmFDiY>



## GROUP SESSION 3 EXERCISE 2

Butterfly Spanish Videos:  
**How to get someone's attention**  
(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vhzi5biBjsQ&t=418s>)  
**How to order food**  
(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b33kXdfvf84>)

### En el restaurante (In the restaurant)

Practice ordering food in conversation with another group member. Use some of the following key words and phrases, or find other words for your conversation. ¡Buena suerte!

**CLIENTE:**

Disculpe, señor, señora, señorita, joven

Excuse Me, Sir, Mrs., Miss, young man/woman

**MESERO:**

¿Le gustaría algo de beber (tomar)?

Would you like something to drink?

¿Le gustaría algo de comer?

Would you like something to eat?

¿Qué va a comer?

What are you going to eat?

**CLIENTE:**

Quiero...

I want...

¿Tiene...?

Do you have...?

**MENÚ:**

bebidas

drinks

botanas

appetizers

ensalada

salad

sopa

soup

plato principal

main course

el postre

dessert

**\*\*Also see Week 3 Menu Guide for the menu from La Roca in Nogales\*\***

**MESERO:**

¡Buen provecho!

Enjoy your meal!

¡Salud!

To your health!

**CLIENTE:**

La cuenta, por favor

The check, please (¡Y no olvide la propina!)

To practice and hear these words and phrases, go to:

<https://quizlet.com/469057786/week-3-exercise-2-bonus-flash-cards/>



**Bonus Video:**  
**Butterfly Spanish**  
**Ordering from a food truck**

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y5IVtVjT79I>)

**En el camión de comida** (At the food truck)

Watch Ana's video about ordering at a food truck. How does it differ from ordering in a restaurant?

Vamos a comer (algo)

Let's go eat (something)

Tengo ganas de...  
¿Tiene ganas de...?

I feel like...  
Do you feel like...?

¡Hola!

Hello!

Dame...  
¿Me puede dar...?  
¿Me podría dar...?

Give me...  
Can you give me...?  
Could you give me...?

...por favor...

...please...

una orden del combo 1,2,3  
y una orden de...

an order of combo 1,2,3  
and an order of...

uno de (estos)  
otro de (esos)

one of (these)  
another of (those)

con, sin

with, without

¿Cuánto es?  
¿Cuánto le debo?

How much is it?  
How much do I owe you?

**\*\*Also see *Week 3 Menu Guide for a typical food truck menu*\*\***

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**Extra Bonus Video:  
Warren Hardy  
Ordering Drinks in Mexico**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hrFR9Y1XVQc>

margarita rocas  
...con sal, sin sal

tequila  
...derecho  
...con limón

...blanco o plata

...reposado  
...añejo  
...extra añejo

Coca Cola, Coca Lite  
...con mucho hielo

copa de...  
...vino blanco  
...vino tinto

una cerveza fría

margarita on the rocks  
...with salt, without salt

tequila  
...straight up  
...with lime

white or silver unaged spirit  
(igual a "White lightning")  
aged 3 months to one year  
aged 1 to 3 years  
aged more than 3 years (only recently introduced)

Coke, Diet Coke  
...with plenty of ice

A glass (wine glass) of  
...white wine  
...red wine

a cold beer