

"Español unplugged para false beginners" A course that puts conversation first

"I've been to Spanish lessons already, but I'm not getting enough speaking practice." If this is you, trust me, you are not alone!

No textbooks. Just you and your classmates. Something to drink and some (very healthy) crisps. And lots of activities for you to practice speaking. Mistakes are welcome! We will learn from them! Take this course as a speaking laboratory with minimal technology and materials (hence the *unplugged*), where the most important aspect is what goes on inside and between the people in the classroom -and speaking \bigcirc

In this 10 week course we will start with practicing questions about hobbies and (some very unusual) lost property; we will then express our opinions about a range of topics and will do our best to survive in a shipwreck; we will practice speaking on the phone (for real!) with a range of businesses and some very friendly bureaucratic people; we will tell each other's futures with the most advanced and trusted predicting techniques; and we will talk about past experiences and will learn a new past tense to talk about famous people's biographies.

If you would like to join the group, please **confirm so as soon as possible**, thank you! (You can send me a message on WhatsApp: +34 633 68 91 60)

Level: A1/A2

Dates:

October: 14, 21, 28 November: 4, 11, 18, 25 December: 2, 9, 16

Schedule:

Tuesday from 14:00 to 15:15 (10 weeks, 11.5 hours in total)

Topics:

- Questions, questions, questions
- Expressing our opinion

- Talking on the phone (for real! With real Spanish people!)
- Speaking about future plans with ir a + infinitivo
- Discussing past experiences with pretérito perfecto
- Speaking about what we did in the past and famous people's lives, with pretérito indefinido

Price:

180€

Would you like to know what we will do in each class?

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1. "Mi hobby favorito"

We will practice asking and answering questions about our favourite hobby to get to know each other (¿Por qué...? ¿Cuándo...? ¿Qué tipo de...? ¿Con qué frecuencia...? ¿Desde cuándo...?, etc).

2. "Objetos perdidos"

A speaking game where we will have to recover our lost bag at the police station answering questions from the "policía".

3. "¿Estás de acuerdo?"

Do you agree? We will practice expressing and justifying our opinions about a range of topics.

4. "Un Titanic valenciano"

Welcome to a very fun -but risky- trip on the Valencian Titanic! Our boat is sinking and we will have to choose several useful objects from a list in order to survive (*Necesitamos coger... para/porque...*), as well as trying to convince others of why we should be saved from the shipwreck.

5. "Hola, una pregunta..."

Don't you love speaking on the phone? What about speaking on the phone IN SPANISH? Well, that's what we will do in this class! We will make real phone calls to practice asking questions about NIE and paperwork, flats to rent, products, services, bookings, etc. We will look at structures to start this kind of conversations (*Hola, una pregunta... Llamo para/porque... Es que... Quería...*) so that you can feel more confident next time and handle real-life calls -and conversations!- with ease.

6. "Tienes un futuro brillante"

What does the future hold for you? You will find out in this lesson! We will practice a structure to talk about future plans (*ir* a + *infinitivo*) during a "divination" session where our classmates will predict our future using dice and cards. We will also use structures such as *Probablemente*, *Creo que* and *Quizás*.

7. "¡Confiesa!"

We will talk about past experiences with *pretérito perfecto* using the structure ¿Alguna vez has...? We will then write a list of unusual activities (*robar un banco*, hacer pis en La Fontana di Trevi, etc), and we will ask our partner if they have done any of them -and the answer has to be yes!

8. "Mi vida en mi escritorio"

What does your desk say about you? In this lesson we will draw a desk with objects that tell the story of your life. Your classmates will have to guess -using the past *pretérito perfecto*!-what you've done, where you've travelled, what you've studied, etc.

9. "Nací en Londres en 1970"

We will learn about each other's biographies with a new and useful past tense: *pretérito indefinido* (*Nací en.., Fui a.., Estudié en...*). We will practice the regular conjugations and we'll ask each other what we did last weekend.

10. "Biografías de famosos"

How much do you know about famous people's lives? In our last lesson we will look at famous people's biographies and we'll prepare a presentation about someone we admire using the past tense to talk about his/her life.

HOW TO BOOK A SPOT:

Contact me first on WhatsApp: +34 633 68 91 60, contactinthemoodforspanish@gmail.com, or Instagram: @inthemoodforspanish to see if there are any spots left.

Maximum: 6 people. **Minimum:** 4 people.

You can then choose a payment method and send me a proof of payment:

- PayPal: My PayPal account is isabelgarciacuesta, and the email linked to it is <u>isabelgarciacuesta@hotmail.com</u>. Please, select the option "Pay a friend or relative", otherwise PayPal will keep part of the money!
- **Bizum:** You can send the amount to +34 681308405 (beware that this phone number is <u>different</u> from the one above!)

Bank transfer:

- My bank account is ES28 0239 0806 7600 5617 3321 and my full name is Isabel García Cuesta (use this number if you are making a transfer from a Spanish bank)
- IBAN: ES33 0239 0806 7623 2803 3317 (use this number if you are making a transfer from an account **outside of Spain**)

• BIC: EVOBESMMXXX (use this number -and the IBAN number- if you are making a transfer from a bank **outside of the European Union**)

CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY:

- If you decide to cancel your spot **14 days before October 14th**, you will receive a **100% refund**.
- If you cancel your spot between 13 and 7 days before October 14th, you will receive a 50% refund.
- If you cancel your spot 6 days before October 14th there will be no refund.

CONTACT:

If you have any questions, feel free to message me on WhatsApp: +34 633 68 91 60, contactinthemoodforspanish@gmail.com or Instagram: @inthemoodforspanish.

I hope to see you there!

¡Muchas gracias!

Isabel