

## Conversation 1 - Places & Clothing

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### Prepare (45 min)

- Schedule your conversation
  - Remember to schedule at least 36 hours in advance.
- Review
  - Review vocabulary relevant to conversations about places and clothing.
  - Learn at least 10 new words about places and clothing.

los pantalones de yoga	Tienda de arte
los leggings	la camiseta sin mangas
el/la <del>limpia</del> botas 'Ugg'	playa en Virginia
el Sombrero de vaquero	moelle pesquero <small>fishing pier</small>
el museo	el balneario <small>spa</small>

- Plan
  - Write a list of 5-7 questions you can ask your conversation partner about themselves, where they live and their favorite places to visit and vacation, what forms of lodging and transportation they used. As questions about places they go to shop and what clothing they purchase for their travel and vacations, or what clothing they wear on a daily basis and on special occasions.

- Avoid questions that elicit a simple one-word (yes/no) answer.
- Think about how you would respond to each of the questions if they were asked to you (prepare for any vocabulary that you might not know).
- Read through the Interact and Reflect portion of the sequence to help anticipate any other questions you might need to ask of your partner.

*¡Hola! ¿Cómo estás?*

*¿Dónde vives? ¿Te gusta?*

*¿Te vas de vacaciones a algún lado?*

*¿Cuál era tu favorito?*

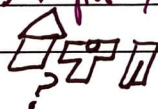
*¿Cómo llegaste allí y dónde te quedaste?*

*¿Qué tipo de ropa compraste durante esas vacaciones?*

*¿Cuál era la tienda?*

*Daily → ¿Qué hay del día a día?*

*¿Dónde compras ropa y qué tienda es tu favorita?*



- Practice

- Practice asking and answering your questions out loud. If available, find a partner from class and practice together.

- Consider

- What are some places that you notice you are having trouble communicating? Are there any new words or structures that you can learn before your conversation?

*My verb tense and sentence construction.  
I can practice more by talking out loud.  
I want to say more than what I know in Spanish.*

- What are some techniques to help navigate a conversation? What sort of phrases would be helpful?

*"Repita por favor" - repeat  
"Uno minuto" - min  
"dame un segundo por favor" - second  
\* Pay attention to facial expression & body language.  
Listen for context or certain words.*

### Interact (15 min)

Remember, you do not have to talk for the entire 15 minutes. It is a conversation.

- (3-5 minutes) Introduce yourself to your conversation partner and get to know some basic information about each other.
- (10 minutes) Share a little about where you live. Ask your conversation partner about where they live. Don't limit your conversation to just physical descriptions. Think about culture too! You can also ask and share about favorite places to visit and modes of transportation to get there. Share about the clothes you wear on a daily basis. Ask your conversation partner about the clothes they wear. What do you wear on special occasions?

- Tips

- Try to *think* in the language of your conversation. Your ability to think in English is much more complex right now and often, problems arise when you think of something to say in English that you are not able to say in the target language.
- If there are words or major ideas that you don't understand, please ask your partner to help explain/elaborate.
- Remember, the conversation will be recorded so you don't have to understand 100% of what your partner says during the conversation. You will have time later to look up specific words.
- If your conversation goes a bit off topic, *that is ok!* The important takeaway from this is that you are building the ability and confidence to interact in the language.
- When your partner answers a question, try to ask a related follow-up question instead of moving directly to another prepared question that might not be related.