

## Reflect (60 minutes)

- Review

- Download and listen to the audio recording of your conversation.

- Write in English

- Overall, how did your conversation go? Explain.

Overall it went well. We ended up talking alot about his favorite place. He spoke alot faster than I had expected so I focused on key words and his body language to ask follow up questions.

- About what percentage of your partners' speech did you understand?

60%. He was a great partner. I'm used to being able to replay conversations on VHL so it was difficult to catch everything at once.

- What are three things that you would phrase or say differently after having listened to your conversation?

1) I would breathe and slow down.

2) My verbs were off and I struggled with pronunciation.

3) I would of explained why my favorite place in my military service was London. I fumbled with this portion of the conversation.

- List three interesting things you learned about your conversation partner based on their answers to your questions.

1) His favorite place is Antigua Guatemala.

2) It is 3-5 minutes from his house.

3) We both like to eat at cafes.

4) It is cold there 50% of the time.

5) Loves the beach.

- What sort of cultural inferences or comparisons can you make about your interaction with your partner? If there is insufficient evidence, what comparisons can you make between your families?

We both enjoy love food and nice weather. Also, the time difference isn't that bad. I googled Antigua while he was speaking

and was able to understand how different this place was. That's why I asked him about the weather there. His favorite season is spring as well. We both spoke pretty fast about this portion because I grasped the content a lot better. Our worlds seem pretty alike!

- List three new words you learned from this conversation.

amorosamente - lovingly

tanto - so much

porer a en frian - used to describe weather

- Is there anything else about the language that you noticed?

Pablo's pronunciation was great and he spoke slow enough for me to understand through parts I struggled with. There was one portion where I spoke english and didn't realize until he said something! It is really easy to mix up spanish and english in conversation. I hadn't expected this mix-up.

- What can you do to better prepare for your next conversation?

Google where the person is from and research dialects. I am a planner so when something goes against my plan I tend to freak out. Next time I would breathe and just answer in Spanish more. Another tip would be to diversify my questions more! I had a basic response in my head but when we started talking about London I had so much to say but I couldn't say it in Spanish!