

## Talkabroad Reflection

**Overall, how did your conversation go? Explain.**

- The conversation was nice, I enjoyed my partner. I think she could tell I was nervous, so she kept a smile on her face, and whenever I asked her to repeat things for me, she would. I wish that I got to ask more questions or speak up more, I definitely let her take the reins that was the only thing I regret about the conversation.

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

- I understood maybe about 50 to 55% of what she was saying. It took me a couple times to grasp what she said, or I tried to pick out words that I knew so I could formulate her sentence or question.

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

- I would have worded my answer for what Hannukkah is, what I do in my free time, and I would have explained why I don't like my birthday better.

**Choose the most interesting part of your conversation during the discussion and transcribe (write in Spanish) 1.5 minutes of the recording. This will involve listening to the audio a few times. Focus on an area in which your partner was speaking the majority of the time. Write down both what you and your partner said. Be sure to indicate where this portion of the conversation is by indicating the time elapsed at the beginning of your transcription (ie. [2:35] if the section begins 2 minutes and thirty-five seconds into the conversation).**

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**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?**

- There wasn't much difference in the way that we celebrate holidays. The only thing that I saw that was different was the fact that her holiday includes a lot more people. It's a gathering of people, rather than just family only, but everyone is involved.

**List three new words you learned from this conversation.**

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

- The way that she spoke sounded different than other Hispanics that I've talked to. The dialect, and tone of voice is completely noticeable.

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

- I will try not to be as nervous next time, I let the nerves get to me and cloud my head that I wasn't able to think as clear. I want to practice with the people I know that speak Spanish so I can be more comfortable. Try talking in Spanish around the house so that I can store the material in my head. Most importantly, be prepared for anything.