

Tu Inglés Podcast Episode One Transcripción Tu-Ingles.com

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Hola y bienvenido a Tu Ingles. This is a program for people who want to learn English.

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Me llamo Brian y vivo en los Estados Unidos. Pero no soy tu profesor de ingles. Nooooo en absoluto.

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Pensa en mi como tu entrenador personal. Vamos a ejercer tu oído para inglés!

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Empezamos hoy con un pequeño pasaje en ingles. El Tema del dia: La nieve.

But first, let's practice some verbs that you will hear in the selection.

Estoy hablando con Cecile. Ella vive en Mexico. Hello Cecile.

Hello Brian!

Cecile, conjugamos nueve verbos hoy. Nine verbs. Lista? Como se de dice en ingles, yo vivo?

I live. I live.

Muy bien. Ok, how do we say in English, hace frio?

It is cold. It is cold.

Ok, ahora, como se dice, puede nevar?

It can snow. It can snow.

Ok, how would you say, me gusta la nieve?

I like the snow.

Yes, I like the snow. Y odio el invierno?

I hate winter, I hate winter.

Yo también!! Ok, en ingles, como se dice, estoy feliz?

I am happy. I am happy.

Si estas feliz, estoy feliz. Ok, ahora, yo necesito. How do we say that in Enlish?

I need. I need.

Correct. I need. Just make sure to sound out the D on the end of the word. Need.

Ok, un poco mas difícil, yo esquiaba mucho?

I used to ski a lot.

Or

I skied a lot.

Muy bien. And finally, how would you say, yo iré?

I will go.

Perfect, I will go.

OK, gracias por tu ayuda, Cecile.

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Ok, ahora, escuchamos la selección de hoy.

Escucha, pero no te preocupes si no puedas entender todo.

El tema del día? La nieve.

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I live in the United States of America, near a city named Boston. In the winter, it is cold in Boston. And it can snow a lot. Sometimes snow is beautiful. After it snows, everything is white and clean. For this reason, I like the beginning of winter. I am happy when it snows. But winter is long in Boston. After three months of this cold weather, I *don't like* winter. In fact, I hate winter. And when it snows, I am not happy. Maybe I need a winter hobby, such as skiing or skating. I used to ski a lot in the winter. Maybe I will ski next weekend. Better yet, maybe I will go someplace warm, such as Mexico!

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[Entrevista con Cecile]

Hablando de Mexico ...

Hey, Cecile, are you still there?

Hello again Brian!

Como esta tu ingles?

I think it's intermediate level, because it's not perfect yet, but I think it's not bad.

How long have you been studying English?

Um, this is kind of embarrassing for me, because I've been studying English for 12 years now. That's a lot of time, really!

Yes, but it shows. Tu inglés es muy bueno. So tell us, at the beginning, what was the hardest thing to learn? Was there anything that really frustrated you?

I think verbs. Verbs are always the most difficult thing in every language, I think.

Verbs. Ok, I agree. Verbs are difficult, but they also are very, very useful. And we will practice conjugating verbs here on Tu Inglés.

So Cecile, what helped you the most to learn English?

What helped me the most? I think it's the fact that I like languages. I enjoy them, so that's why I try to get surrounded by this language ... reading in English, thinking in English. That's the most important thing. Getting surrounded by this language.

Well, thanks for your help today, Cecile.

It was a pleasure, Brian. Buena suerte!

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Now, it's time for something we call *That's English*.

Have you noticed that in English, we have a different way of talking about a person's age or a person's emotions? En español, se dice, "El tiene 25 años" o "Yo tengo 25 años."

El verbo Tener es muy importante en español para decir tu edad y tambien tus emociones. Tengo hambre, tengo sed, tengo miedo, tengo sueño, etc.

Pero en ingles, no usamos esta construcción. We would say instead, "I am 25." Or "I am 25 years old." En este caso, I am es igual de "yo estoy."

Ademas, en ingles, no decimos "tengo hambre." We say, "I am hungry." And instead of "tengo miedo," we say, "I am afraid." En lugar de "tengo sed," decimos, "I am thirsty."

It's an interesting difference between the two languages. In Spanish, you have a certain age or feelings, whereas in English, you ARE those things.

So, the next time someone asks you in English, "How old are you?" Remember, your age is what you are, not what you have.

That's English!

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Ok, finally today, we bring you English of the Rich and Famous. Please listen to the following recording. It's from a famous speech by an American president in the 1960s.

Y por cierto, tienes tarea. Sabes quien es hablando? Y sabes sobre que país esta hablando?

I will give you a hint ... the speaker has an accent that reveals he is from Boston, Massachusetts.

[Excerpt from Kennedy inaugural speech about "sister republics south of our border"]

[To our sister republics south of our border, we offer a special pledge—to convert our good words into good deeds—in a new alliance for progress—to assist free men and free governments in casting off the chains of poverty. But this peaceful revolution of hope cannot become the prey of hostile powers. Let all our neighbors know that we shall join with them to oppose aggression or subversion anywhere in the Americas. And let every other power know that this Hemisphere intends to remain the master of its own house.]

Do you know the name of this famous man? And do you know what he was worried about? We will discuss this more in our next episode.

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Bueno, eso es todo por hoy.

Gracias por escucharme. Thanks for listening. Si tengas comentarios o sugerencias, por favor envíame un email.

See you later! Suerte con Tu Ingles!

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