

CONVERSACIÓN

Vocabulario

Hasta la vista. *See you later.*

Hasta mañana. *See you tomorrow.*

DIÁLOGO

Create your own dialog by filling in the missing spaces with words you've learned.





Cápsula cultural

It's Mr., Mrs., and Miss, right?

Well, in Spanish it's a little more complicated than that. But let's see how it works. First, the simple part:

Mr. = señor, Mrs. = señora, Miss = señorita

These three words can be used alone to attract attention:

¡Señor! ¡Señora! ¡Señorita!

These titles are used, as in English, before last or family names. For example:

(el) señor Rodríguez (la) señora Ortiz (la) señorita Vidal

However, in Spanish they can also be used before professional titles such as Lawyer, Teacher, Doctor, etc. We would get combinations such as: **señor doctor**, **señora presidenta**, etc.

In addition, there are two more ways to show respect for the elderly and respected members of the community. They are **don** and **doña**. They are either used with the first name—don Carlos, doña Rosa—or in front of the whole name—don Carlos Montoya, doña Rosa López.

All of these titles may be abbreviated (abbreviations are always capitalized).

señor – Sr. señora – Sra. señorita – Srta.

don – D. doña – Dña.

And finally, when addressing a letter, a combination of titles may be used: Sr. D. Pedro Mendoza, Sra. Dña. María García.

Comprensión

1. If you wanted to attract a young lady's attention, you would say _____.

2. The titles **señor**, **señora**, **señorita** are used before _____ names or _____.

3. To show respect for an elderly member of the community, the titles _____ and _____ are used with the first name.

4. **Sr.**, **Srta.**, and **Sra.** are abbreviations of _____, _____, and _____.

Investigación

Compare titles of courtesy and respect in Spanish with similar ones in English. Give examples.

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la abuela *grandmother*
el abuelo *grandfather*
la familia *family*
hermano(a) *brother, sister*
los hermanos *brothers and sisters*
hijo(a) *child (son, daughter)*
la madre *mother*

la mamá *mom*
el padre *father*
los padres *parents*
el papá *dad*
primo(a) *cousin*
tío(a) *uncle, aunt*