

SCENE 10 • GRAMMAR

midva, medve, sva, sta

Two people together and larger groups

6 Exercises · Duration: 20 min.

The empty flat

Slovenian

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Two people together and larger groups

For two people including the speaker use **midva** (two men or a mixed pair) or **medve** (two women). The verb **biti** is **sva: midva sva tukaj, medve sva tukaj**. For two addressees or two other people use **sta**.

With three or more, use **mi smo** (masculine/mixed), **me smo** (feminine), **vi/ve ste, oni/one so**. A person pronoun can be omitted when the verb makes the number clear.

Adjectives agree in dual too: **midva sva lačna, medve sva lačni**.

The feminine dual and masculine plural can look the same but the verb distinguishes them. Regular present verbs have **-va** for we two: **veva, živiva**.

Number	Person	Biti	Example
Exactly two	midva / medve	sva	midva sva lačna / medve sva lačni
Exactly two	vidva / vedve	sta	vidva sta tukaj / vedve sta tukaj
Exactly two	onadvā / onidve	sta	onadvā sta tukaj / onidve sta tukaj
Three or more	mi / me	smo	mi smo lačni / me smo lačne
Three or more	vi / ve	ste	vi ste tukaj / ve ste tukaj
Three or more	oni / one / ona	so	oni so tukaj / one so tukaj

Midva sva tukaj.

We two are here, male or mixed pair.

Medve sva tukaj.

We two women are here.

Ana in Nika sta tukaj.

Ana and Nika are here.

Mi smo tukaj.

We are here, three or more.

Z Niko sva lačni (lačna).

Nika and I are hungry.

Jure in jaz živiva tukaj.

Jure and I live here.

GRAMMAR**G1) NOTICE THE PATTERNS**

Underline the form described in this unit.

- 1 Midva sva tukaj.

Meaning: We two are here, male or mixed pair.

- 2 Medve sva tukaj.

Meaning: We two women are here.

- 3 Ana in Nika sta tukaj.

Meaning: Ana and Nika are here.

- 4 Mi smo tukaj.

Meaning: We are here, three or more.

- 5 Z Niko sva lačni.

Meaning: Nika and I are hungry.

- 6 Jure in jaz živiva tukaj.

Meaning: Jure and I live here.

G2) CHOOSE THE FORM

Choose the right word for the gap.

- 1 Midva _____ tukaj.

- ☐ A sta
- ☐ B sva
- ☐ C smo

Meaning: We two are here, male or mixed pair.

- 2 Medve _____ tukaj.

- ☐ A sta
- ☐ B ste
- ☐ C sva

Meaning: We two women are here.

3 Ana in Nika _____ tukaj.

- ☐ A je
- ☐ B sta
- ☐ C so

Meaning: Ana and Nika are here.

4 Mi _____ tukaj.

- ☐ A sem
- ☐ B smo
- ☐ C sva

Meaning: We are here, three or more.

5 Z Niko sva _____.

- ☐ A lačen
- ☐ B lačno
- ☐ C lačni

Meaning: Nika and I are hungry.

6 Jure in jaz _____ tukaj.

- ☐ A živiva
- ☐ B živijo
- ☐ C živim

Meaning: Jure and I live here.

G3) COMPLETE A SHORT MESSAGE

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

smo sva

Midva _____ tukaj.

Meaning: We two are here, male or mixed pair.

ste sva

Medve _____ tukaj.

Meaning: We two women are here.

je sta

Ana in Nika _____ tukaj.

Meaning: Ana and Nika are here.

sva smo

Mi _____ tukaj.

Meaning: We are here, three or more.

lačen lačni

Z Niko sva _____.

Meaning: Nika and I are hungry.

živim živiva

Jure in jaz _____ tukaj.

Meaning: Jure and I live here.

G4) BUILD USEFUL SENTENCES

Put the words in order.

1 tukaj. sva Midva

Meaning: We two are here, male or mixed pair.

2 tukaj. sva Medve

Meaning: We two women are here.

3 tukaj. in Ana sta Nika

Meaning: Ana and Nika are here.

4 Mi tukaj. smo

Meaning: We are here, three or more.

5 Niko Z sva lačni.

Meaning: Nika and I are hungry.

6 tukaj. in jaz Jure živiva

Meaning: Jure and I live here.

G5) WHAT WOULD YOU SAY?

Choose the right words for the situation.

1 We two are here, male or mixed pair. You say:

- ☐ A Midva smo tukaj.
- ☐ B Midva sva tukaj.

2 We two women are here. You say:

- ☐ A Medve ste tukaj.
- ☐ B Medve sva tukaj.

3 Ana and Nika are here. You say:

- ☐ A Ana in Nika je tukaj.
- ☐ B Ana in Nika sta tukaj.

4 We are here, three or more. You say:

- ☐ A Mi smo tukaj.
- ☐ B Mi sva tukaj.

G6) CONNECT MESSAGES AND MEANINGS

Match the pairs.

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|-----------------------------|--|
| ① Mi smo tukaj. | Ⓐ We are here, three or more. |
| ② Ana in Nika sta tukaj. | Ⓑ Ana and Nika are here. |
| ③ Medve sva tukaj. | Ⓒ We two women are here. |
| ④ Midva sva tukaj. | Ⓓ Jure and I live here. |
| ⑤ Jure in jaz živiva tukaj. | Ⓔ Nika and I are hungry. |
| ⑥ Z Niko sva lačni. | Ⓕ We two are here, male or mixed pair. |