

SCENE 7 • GRAMMAR

Hay / Está

Introducing things and locating known things

5 Exercises · Duration: 15 min.

The empty flat

Spanish

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Introduce what exists with hay

Hay means there is or there are. It **does not change for the number of things: Hay una cama, Hay dos camas.** Introduce something with **un, una**, a number or a plural noun.

Locate what we already know with estar

La cama está aquí locates a known bed. **Las sillas están en la cocina** locates known chairs. Choose **está** or **están** to agree with the thing, unlike unchanged **hay**.

Hay un armario.

There is a wardrobe.

El armario está aquí.

The wardrobe is here.

No hay sillas.

There are no chairs.

Some, or none

Unos and **unas** mean some: **unos libros, unas sillas.** **No hay + plural noun** says there are none: **No hay sillas.** **Todavía no** means not yet: **Todavía no tengo mesa.**

GRAMMAR**G1) CHOOSE THE FORM FOR THE MESSAGE**

Choose the right word for the gap.

1 _____ una cama en el piso.

- ☐ A Está
- ☐ B Están
- ☐ C Hay

Meaning: There is a bed in the flat.

2 La cama _____ aquí.

- ☐ A hay
- ☐ B está
- ☐ C están

Meaning: The bed is here.

3 Las sillas _____ abajo.

- ☐ A están
- ☐ B hay
- ☐ C está

Meaning: The chairs are downstairs.

4 No _____ mesas.

- ☐ A hay
- ☐ B es
- ☐ C están

Meaning: There are no tables.

G2) COMPLETE A USEFUL EXCHANGE

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

un está una

Hay _____ lámpara. La lámpara _____ arriba.

Meaning: There is a lamp. The lamp is upstairs.

están hay

No _____ sillas.

Meaning: There are no chairs.

unos una unas

Hay _____ libros y _____ tazas.

Meaning: There are some books and some cups.

G3) PUT THE MESSAGE TOGETHER

Put the words in order.

1 el sofá un Hay baño. en

Meaning: There is a sofa in the bathroom.

2 llave Mi en armario. el está

Meaning: My key is in the wardrobe.

3 tengo no mesa. Todavía

Meaning: I do not have a table yet.

G4) WHAT HELPS IN THIS SITUATION?

Choose the right words for the situation.

1 **Lucía asks what furniture is in your flat. Name the only bed. You say:**

- ☐ A La cama está arriba.
- ☐ B Hay una cama.
- ☐ C Soy vecino.

G5) CONNECT THE MESSAGE AND ITS MEANING

Match the pairs.

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|----------------------|------------------------|
| ① Hay una cama. | Ⓐ There are no chairs. |
| ② La cama está aquí. | Ⓑ There is a bed. |
| ③ No hay sillas. | Ⓒ The bed is here. |