

## SCENE 4 • NUMBER 7

# Quiero dormir

Late at night, after your first long day. You lie in bed in your new room, in the dark, and try to sleep.

68 Words · 5 Exercises · Duration: 15 min.

Arrival

Spanish

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## LEARNING GOAL

I can knock on a neighbour's door, say that I want to sleep, and ask someone to do something tomorrow.

**Lena (Lukas) = ■    Javier = O**

Learning as Lukas? Use the words in brackets.

*Es de noche. Arriba alguien toca la trompeta.*

■ ¡No! ¡Ahora no!

*Night on the landing. His door is open, and he stands there with his trumpet, delighted.*

○ ¡Hola! ¿Eres la nueva vecina (el nuevo vecino)? Soy Javier.

■ Encantada (Encantado). Me llamo Lena (Lukas). Vivo abajo.

○ ¡Igualmente! Soy músico.

■ Sí. Pero es de noche.

*He looks at his watch, wide-eyed, and lowers the trumpet.*

○ ¡Uy! Lo siento.

■ Quiero dormir. ¿Puedes tocar mañana?

○ Sí, claro. Mañana toco.

*He points back into the room. The tomcat is asleep on the sofa.*

■ ¿Michi también está aquí?

○ Sí. Mi amigo duerme aquí.

■ Tú duermes. Yo no puedo dormir. ¡Buenas noches!

*Back in bed, you hear the trumpet start again after midnight.*

*Ya es mañana. Javier toca otra vez.*

*Ya es mañana. Javier toca otra vez.*

## Vocabulary

### DOING THINGS • ACCIONES

|                 |                    |
|-----------------|--------------------|
| <b>tocar</b>    | play an instrument |
| <b>vivir</b>    | live               |
| <b>querer</b>   | want               |
| <b>preferir</b> | prefer             |
| <b>dormir</b>   | sleep              |
| <b>poder</b>    | can / be able to   |

### TIME AND THE CLOCK • LA HORA

|               |          |
|---------------|----------|
| <b>mañana</b> | tomorrow |
|---------------|----------|

### SMALL WORDS • PALABRAS PEQUEÑAS

|             |             |
|-------------|-------------|
| <b>bien</b> | well / fine |
|-------------|-------------|

### GREETINGS AND COURTESY • SALUDOS

|                      |            |
|----------------------|------------|
| <b>lo siento</b>     | I'm sorry  |
| <b>buenas noches</b> | good night |

### JOBS • PROFESIONES

|                                    |                                                                                                        |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>el músico</b>                   | musician<br><small>Learn el músico together: the article shows this noun's grammatical gender.</small> |
| <b>el ingeniero / la ingeniera</b> | engineer                                                                                               |

### PEOPLE AROUND YOU • PERSONAS

|                 |                                                                                                     |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>el amigo</b> | friend<br><small>Learn el amigo together: the article shows this noun's grammatical gender.</small> |
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### HERE AND THERE • AQUÍ Y ALLÍ

|               |          |
|---------------|----------|
| <b>arriba</b> | upstairs |
|---------------|----------|

**EVERYDAY THINGS****la trompeta**

trumpet

Learn la trompeta together: the article shows this noun's grammatical gender.

**TIMES OF DAY · EL DÍA Y LA NOCHE****la noche**

night

Learn la noche together: the article shows this noun's grammatical gender.

**LISTENING & UNDERSTANDING****L1) WHO SAYS IT**

Read the dialogue again. Who says these words? Tick the right person.

**1 ¡Hola! ¿Eres la nueva vecina? Soy Javier.**

☐ A Javier

☐ B Lena

**L2) WHAT DOES IT MEAN**

Tick the right English meaning.

**1 Encantada. Me llamo Lena. Vivo abajo.**

- ☐ A Nice to meet you. My name is Lena. I live downstairs.
- ☐ B Yes. My friend sleeps here.
- ☐ C You are asleep. I cannot sleep. Good night!

**L3) HOW DO YOU SAY IT**

Tick the right Spanish sentence.

**1 Oh! I am sorry.**

- ☐ A ¡Igualmente! Soy músico.
- ☐ B ¡Uy! Lo siento.
- ☐ C Sí. Pero es de noche.

**L4) PUT THE WORDS IN ORDER**

Write the words in the right order on the line.

**1**

está

también

aquí?

¿Michi

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**L5) WHAT HAPPENS FIRST**

Number the lines in the order they come in the scene.

- ☐ ¡Igualmente! Soy músico.
- ☐ ¡Uy! Lo siento.
- ☐ Sí. Mi amigo duerme aquí.
- ☐ Sí, claro. Mañana toco.
- ☐ ¡Hola! ¿Eres la nueva vecina? Soy Javier.

## SCENE 4 • WORDS

# Quiero dormir

I want to sleep

5 Exercises • Duration: 15 min.

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**la noche**  
night



**la trompeta**  
trumpet



**tocar**  
play an  
instrument



**el músico**  
musician



**lo siento**  
I'm sorry



**dormir**  
sleep



**el amigo**  
friend



**la música**  
music



**la canción**  
song



**en voz baja**  
quietly / softly



**alto**  
loud / loudly

## Words

### FROM THE SCENE

**la noche**

night

Buenas noches.

**la trompeta**

trumpet

Es de noche. Arriba alguien toca la trompeta.

**tocar**

play an instrument

Sí, claro. Mañana toco.

**arriba**

upstairs

Es de noche. Arriba alguien toca la trompeta.

**vivir**

live

Encantada. Me llamo Lena. Vivo abajo.

**el músico**

musician

¡Igualmente! Soy músico.

**lo siento**

I'm sorry

**querer**

want

Quiero dormir. ¿Puedes tocar mañana?

**dormir**

sleep

Quiero dormir. ¿Puedes tocar mañana?

**poder**

can / be able to

**mañana**

tomorrow

Sí, claro. Mañana toco.

**bien**

well / fine

**el amigo**

friend

Learn el amigo together: the article shows this noun's grammatical gender.

**buenas noches**

good night

### NEW WORDS

**la música**

music

Me gusta la música.

**la canción**

song

Me gusta la canción.

**en voz baja**

quietly / softly

Toco en voz baja.

**alto**

loud / loudly

Javier toca muy alto.

**el silencio**

silence

Quiero silencio.

## VOCABULARY & COMMUNICATION

### W1) WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

What does it mean?

#### 1 la trompeta

- ☐ A want
- ☐ B know a fact
- ☐ C trumpet

#### 2 la noche

- ☐ A like
- ☐ B night
- ☐ C loud / loudly

**3 arriba**

- ☐ A yes
- ☐ B upstairs
- ☐ C welcome

**4 poder**

- ☐ A can / be able to
- ☐ B good morning
- ☐ C stairs

**5 alto**

- ☐ A good
- ☐ B loud / loudly
- ☐ C well / fine

**6 el amigo**

- ☐ A friend
- ☐ B be hungry
- ☐ C quietly / softly

**W2) WORDS IN A USEFUL MESSAGE**

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

Meaning: Javier plays the trumpet.

trompeta   cafetería

Javier toca la \_\_\_\_\_.

Meaning: I want to sleep.

dormir   llave

Quiero \_\_\_\_\_.

Meaning: Tomorrow I will play quietly.

baja   llave

Mañana toco en voz \_\_\_\_\_.

Meaning: Javier plays very loudly.

alto    noche

Javier toca muy \_\_\_\_\_.

**W3) A SMALL COMIC**

Fill the speech bubbles.

Meaning: 1. I want to play!

2. I want to sleep!

3. I play quietly.

4. That is better. Good night.



música mañana baja tocar noches dormir

Javier: ¡Quiero \_\_\_\_\_!

Elvira: ¡Quiero \_\_\_\_\_!

Javier: Toco en voz \_\_\_\_\_.

Elvira: Ahora sí. Buenas \_\_\_\_\_.

**W4) MATCH THE MEANINGS**

Match the pairs.

① el silencio

Ⓐ music

② la música

Ⓑ silence

③ tocar

Ⓒ sleep

④ dormir

Ⓓ play an instrument

**W5) WHAT FITS THIS MOMENT?**

Choose the right words for the situation.

**1 You have woken Elvira with a loud trumpet. Acknowledge what happened. You say:**

Ⓐ Encantado.

Ⓑ Lo siento.

Ⓒ Que aproveche.

# Toco, vivo / Quiero dormir

Regular present forms and wanting to do something

9 Exercises · Duration: 25 min.

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## Regular verbs: use the ending for the person

The dictionary form is the **infinitive**: **tocar** (play an instrument), **vivir** (live) and **dormir** (sleep). Remove -ar from **tocar** or -ir from **vivir** and add the present ending. **Toco** and **vivo** already show I, so **yo** is usually optional. The present tense gives the ordinary forms for now and routines.

### TOCAR AND VIVIR

| Person                  | Tocar   | Vivir   | Meaning                      |
|-------------------------|---------|---------|------------------------------|
| yo                      | toco    | vivo    | I                            |
| tú                      | tocas   | vives   | you, familiar singular       |
| él / ella / usted       | toca    | vive    | he / she / you politely      |
| nosotros / nosotras     | tocamos | vivimos | we                           |
| vosotros / vosotras     | tocáis  | vivís   | you, familiar plural (Spain) |
| ellos / ellas / ustedes | tocan   | viven   | they / ustedes               |

The familiar plural forms are **tocáis** and **vivís**. Keep their written accents. The verbs do not change with a speaker's gender: both Lena and Lukas say **vivo abajo**.

Vivo abajo.

I live downstairs.

Clara vive arriba.

Clara lives upstairs.

Javier toca la trompeta.

Javier plays the trumpet.

## Querer: the vowel changes in some forms

**Querer** means want. Notice **quiero**, **quieres**, **quiere** and **quieren**, but **queremos** and **queréis**. **Do not guess every form by adding a regular ending to quier-**.

### QUERER IN THE PRESENT

| Person                  | Form     | Meaning                      |
|-------------------------|----------|------------------------------|
| yo                      | quiero   | I                            |
| tú                      | quieres  | you, familiar singular       |
| él / ella / usted       | quiere   | he / she / you politely      |
| nosotros / nosotras     | queremos | we                           |
| vosotros / vosotras     | queréis  | you, familiar plural (Spain) |
| ellos / ellas / ustedes | quieren  | they / you politely plural   |

## Want to do something: querer + infinitive

Use the conjugated **querer** form and then the **unchanged infinitive**: **Quiero dormir, Queremos vivir aquí**. The second verb stays an infinitive; it does not agree with the subject. Spanish normally keeps the two verbs together. Put **no** before the conjugated verb: **No quiero tocar**.

Quiero dormir.

I want to sleep.

Queremos vivir aquí.

We want to live here.

No quiero tocar ahora.

I do not want to play now.

In this scene, **¿Puedes tocar mañana?** is a useful request. **No puedo dormir** is I cannot sleep. Learn these as complete phrases for now. The forms of **poder** are taught later. **Duermes** and **duerme** belong to **dormir**; recognising them does not mean you need its full conjugation yet.

## GRAMMAR

### G1) NOTICE WHO THE VERB REFERS TO

Underline the conjugated verb. Use its form to identify the person.

Meaning: I want to sleep.

- 1

Meaning: You want a coffee.

- 2       .

Meaning: Clara wants to play.

- 3      .

Meaning: We want to live here.

- 4       .

Meaning: You want silence.

- 5      .

Meaning: They want a juice.

- 6       .

## G2) DIFFERENT PEOPLE, DIFFERENT ACTIONS

Choose the right word for the gap.

Meaning: I play the trumpet.

- 1    Yo \_\_\_\_\_ la trompeta.

- (A) tocan  
(B) toco  
(C) tocas

Meaning: You play quietly.

**2 Tú \_\_\_\_\_ en voz baja.**

- ☐ A tocamos
- ☐ B tocas
- ☐ C toco

Meaning: Javier plays here.

**3 Javier \_\_\_\_\_ aquí.**

- ☐ A tocáis
- ☐ B toca
- ☐ C toco

Meaning: We play tomorrow.

**4 Nosotras \_\_\_\_\_ mañana.**

- ☐ A tocamos
- ☐ B toca
- ☐ C tocan

Meaning: You play upstairs.

**5 Vosotros \_\_\_\_\_ arriba.**

- ☐ A tocáis
- ☐ B toco
- ☐ C tocamos

Meaning: They play here.

**6 Ellos \_\_\_\_\_ aquí.**

- ☐ A tocas
- ☐ B toca
- ☐ C tocan

**G3) REHEARSING TOGETHER**

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

Meaning: I play upstairs. You play downstairs.

toca toco tocas

Yo \_\_\_\_\_ arriba. Tú \_\_\_\_\_ abajo.

Meaning: Javier plays now. We play tomorrow.

toca tocan tocamos

Javier \_\_\_\_\_ ahora. Nosotras \_\_\_\_\_ mañana.

Meaning: You play quietly. They play very loudly.

tocan   tocáis   tocas

Vosotros \_\_\_\_\_ en voz baja. Ellos \_\_\_\_\_ muy alto.

#### G4) FIND THE MATCHING HOME

Choose the right word for the gap.

Meaning: I live in this house.

**1** Yo \_\_\_\_\_ en esta casa.

- ☐ A vivo
- ☐ B vive
- ☐ C viven

Meaning: You live here.

**2** Tú \_\_\_\_\_ aquí.

- ☐ A vives
- ☐ B vivo
- ☐ C vivimos

Meaning: Elvira lives downstairs.

**3 Elvira \_\_\_\_\_ abajo.**

- ☐ A vive
- ☐ B vives
- ☐ C vivís

Meaning: We live upstairs.

**4 Nosotras \_\_\_\_\_ arriba.**

- ☐ A vivimos
- ☐ B vive
- ☐ C viven

Meaning: You live there.

**5 Vosotros \_\_\_\_\_ allí.**

- ☐ A vivís
- ☐ B vivo
- ☐ C vivimos

Meaning: They live in this house.

**6 Ellas \_\_\_\_\_ en esta casa.**

- ☐ A viven
- ☐ B vives
- ☐ C vive

**G5) WHO LIVES WHERE?**

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

Meaning: I live downstairs. You live upstairs.

vivo   vives   vive

Yo \_\_\_\_\_ abajo. Tú \_\_\_\_\_ arriba.

Meaning: Clara lives here. We live there.

vive   viven   vivimos

Clara \_\_\_\_\_ aquí. Nosotros \_\_\_\_\_ allí.

Meaning: You live here. They live there.

vivís   vives   viven

Vosotras \_\_\_\_\_ aquí. Ellos \_\_\_\_\_ allí.

**G6) WHAT DO THEY WANT?**

Choose the right word for the gap.

Meaning: I want a coffee.

**1 Yo \_\_\_\_\_ un café.**

- ☐ A quiero
- ☐ B queremos
- ☐ C quieren

Meaning: You want to sleep.

**2 Tú \_\_\_\_\_ dormir.**

- ☐ A quieres
- ☐ B queréis
- ☐ C quiero

Meaning: Clara wants a tea.

**3 Clara \_\_\_\_\_ un té.**

- ☐ A quiere
- ☐ B queremos
- ☐ C quieres

Meaning: We want to live here.

**4 Nosotros \_\_\_\_\_ vivir aquí.**

- ☐ A quiere
- ☐ B queremos
- ☐ C quieren

Meaning: You want to play tomorrow.

**5 Vosotras \_\_\_\_\_ tocar mañana.**

- ☐ A quieres
- ☐ B queremos
- ☐ C queréis

Meaning: They want silence.

**6 Ellas \_\_\_\_\_ silencio.**

- ☐ A quieren
- ☐ B quiere
- ☐ C quiero

**G7) KEEP THE SECOND VERB UNCHANGED**

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

Meaning: We want to sleep.

quiero queremos dormir vivir

Nosotros \_\_\_\_\_.

Meaning: You want to live here.

queréis vivir tocar quieren

Vosotros \_\_\_\_\_ aquí.

**G8) CHANGE THE MESSAGE, KEEP THE PATTERN**

Put the words in order.

Meaning: I do not want to play now.

- 1
- 

Meaning: We want to live here.

- 2
- 

Meaning: Tomorrow I will play quietly.

- 3
-

**G9) A NOISY NEIGHBOUR**

Choose the right words for the situation.

- 1 Javier wants to start another song. You are tired and need sleep.**

**You say:**

- ☐ A Quiero tocar la trompeta.
- ☐ B Quiero dormir.
- ☐ C Un café, por favor.