

## LESSON NOTES

# Newbie #8

## I'm thirsty!

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Spanish	English	Class	Gender
mucho	much, a lot	adjective	
sed	thirst	fem. noun	feminine
un, -a	a, some	indefinite article	masculine
beber	to drink	verb	
querer	to want	verb	
jugo	juice	noun	masculine

## SAMPLE SENTENCES

Mucha gente trabaja en la ciudad. "Many people work in the city."	Ellos comen mucho. "They eat a lot."
Tengo sed. "I'm thirsty."	Quiero un jugo. "I want a juice."
Me encanta beber té caliente en un día frío. "I love to drink hot tea on a cold day."	¿Qué le gusta beber? "What would you like to drink?"
Quiero dormir temprano hoy. "I want to go to sleep early today."	No quiero que mis niños gasten todo su dinero en dulces. "I don't want my children to spend all their money on sweets."
No quiero eso. "I don't want that."	Tomamos jugo. "We drink juice."

## GRAMMAR

To express the verb "to drink" in Spanish, we generally use "tomar" in Latin America and "beber" in Spain; however, "beber" would be understood in either place. Here are the *Present Tense* conjugations in the Indicative Mood for both verbs in the Singular and Plural:

<b>tomar</b>	<b>beber</b>
yo tomo (I drink)	yo bebo (I drink)
tú tomas (you drink, <i>inform.</i> )	tú bebes (you drink, <i>inform.</i> )
él toma (he drinks)	él bebe (he drinks)
ella toma (she drinks)	ella bebe (she drinks)
usted toma (you drink, <i>form.</i> )	usted bebe (you drink, <i>form.</i> )
nosotros tomamos (we drink)	nosotros bebemos (we drink)
vosotros tomáis (you all drink, <i>inform.</i> )	vosotros bebéis (you all drink, <i>inform.</i> )
ellos toman (they drink, <i>masc.</i> )	ellos beben (they drink, <i>masc.</i> )
ellas toman (they drink, <i>fem.</i> )	ellas beben (they drink, <i>fem.</i> )
ustedes toman (you all drink, <i>form.</i> )	ustedes beben (you all drink, <i>form.</i> )

## CULTURAL INSIGHT

In Latin America, fresh juice abounds. Due to the large amount of fresh fruit grown on the steppe of the Andes and in tropical areas, such as the Central American rain forest and in the Amazon River Basin, fruit is cheap and of the highest quality, just about everywhere you go in Latin America. Usually, it is simply prepared with a little bottled water and a touch of sugar, if necessary, in a blender. Common fresh fruit juices include "piña" (pineapple), "papaya" (papaya), "carambola" (star fruit), tuna (prickly pear), "maracuyá" (passion fruit), "melón" (cantaloupe), "fresa" (strawberry) and "naranja" (orange).