

## LESSON NOTES

# Absolute Beginner S1 #3

## Do You Want More?

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## INFORMAL SPANISH

1. ÁNGELA: ¿No quieres más arroz?
2. MIGUEL: No, gracias.
3. ÁNGELA: ¿Seguro? Hay mucho....
4. MIGUEL: No, ya me llené.

## ENGLISH

1. ÁNGELA: Don't you want more rice?
2. MIGUEL: No, thank you.
3. ÁNGELA: Sure? There's a lot...
4. MIGUEL: No, I'm already full.

## VOCABULARY

Spanish	English	Class
querer	to want, to love	verb
más	more, plus	adverb, adjective
No, gracias.	No thanks; no, thank you.	phrase
seguro	sure, safe	adjective, expression
llenar	to fill	verb

## SAMPLE SENTENCES

<p>¿No quieres un permanente? "Don't you want a perm?"</p>	<p>Te quiero. "I love you."</p>
<p>Mi cita más romántica fue en la playa. "My most romantic date was on the beach."</p>	<p>Ella quiere más comida. "She wants more food."</p>
<p>No, gracias, no quiero más. "No thank you, I don't want any more."</p>	<p>Seguro. Voy a cuidar de eso. "Sure. I will look after it."</p>
<p>No estoy cien por ciento seguro. "I'm not a hundred percent sure."</p>	<p>Mi casa es un lugar muy seguro. "My house is a very safe place."</p>
<p>No puedo comer más, me he llenado. "I can't eat more, I've stuffed myself."</p>	

## VOCABULARY PHRASE USAGE

### **querer ("to want, to love")**

We can translate this verb as both "to want" or "to love," depending on the context. In the present tense, it is an *-ie-* stem-changing verb.

### **más ("more")**

This word can be an adjective (when modifying a noun) or an adverb (when modifying an adjective). We use it to make comparisons.

### **No, gracias. ("No, thank you.")**

Use this phrase to politely decline an offer.

### **seguro ("sure," "safe")**

We can translate this adjective as "sure" or "safe," depending on the context. As a noun, **el seguro** means "insurance."

## **llenar** ("to fill")

This is a regular *-ar* verb in all tenses and moods.

## GRAMMAR

### **The Focus of This Lesson Is the Word *Más*.**

***¿No quieres más arroz?***

**"Don't you want more rice?"**

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We use ***más***, meaning ("more") (and *menos*, meaning "less") in Spanish to express comparisons in quantity or quality.

### ***Más* as an Adjective**

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When modifying a noun, ***más*** indicates a comparison of greater quantity.

#### **For Example:**

1. *Quiere más arroz.*  
"He/She wants more rice."
2. *Necesito más tiempo.*  
"I need more time."

### ***Más* as an Adverb**

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When modifying an adjective, ***más*** is an adverbial intensifier.

#### **For Example:**

1. *Toma ésta, está más fría.*  
"Take this one, it's colder."  
*¿Más rápido no tiene?*  
"Do you have a faster one?"

## Other Uses of *Más*

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We will cover the use of ***más*** in comparative and superlative constructions in future lessons.

## CULTURAL INSIGHT

### Throwing together a Delicious Mexican Dish

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*Arroz blanco, rojo, mexicano...rice. And beans: frijoles charros, negros, refritos, caldo de frijol...* Throw in flour tortillas, and we end up with the three most commonly used starches in the Mexican diet. Mind you, these three items are quite varied, which always makes for a colorful side. The tortillas, although basic in nature, are a mouthful when combined with just about anything: peanut butter, butter, salt, salsa, and the like. Who's hungry?!