

Manolo's Business Trip

El Viaje de Negocios de Manolo

An Invitation to a Conference

Una Invitación a una Conferencia

Exercise 2 – Listening Comprehension

Ejercicio 2 – Comprensión Auditiva

Level – Intermediate

Nivel Intermedio

Instructions

Listen to the recording and try to identify the words which are missing from the text.

Escucha la grabación e intenta identificar las palabras que faltan del texto.

Make a note of them. In this way you can check your spelling too.

Toma nota de ellas. De este modo también puedes revisar tu ortografía.

An invitation

I've _____ received an _____ to a conference. They _____ me to give a talk _____ e-learning.

Conference

Normally I wouldn't think _____ about going. These conferences on e-Learning are _____ opportunities to _____ ideas and learn from people in the same _____ as me.

English

The _____ is this conference is in Scotland and the _____ time I gave a _____ in English I _____ it up completely.

Lack of preparation

I didn't spend _____ time preparing my talk and I got _____ nervous. I _____ up _____ my papers on the _____. I had to _____ to everyone. A total _____! I really _____ not going to my English classes, I can _____ you!

Manolo

"Maria, _____ what... they have _____ me to _____ a presentation at a conference. The _____ is I have to _____ it in English."

Maria

"You _____ to give a presentation _____ a conference _____ in Malaga in English, that's a _____ strange, isn't it?"

Manolo

"No, _____ isn't _____, it's _____ Scotland."

Maria

"Scotland!! Another _____ abroad! You _____ to Scotland a _____ time ago. You _____ got _____ woman there, _____ you?"

Manolo

"Oh, Maria _____ don't be _____, you know you are the _____ woman for me. I _____ you with all _____ heart. You _____ that, don't you?"

Maria

"That's _____ you always _____ before you _____ off gallivanting, _____?"

Manolo

"Maria, you know I _____ take you _____ me if I _____, don't you?"

Maria

"Yes, I _____. How _____ are you going to be _____?"

Manolo

"I haven't decided _____, probably a _____, why?"

Maria

"_____, I'll have to make some _____ of my _____ if you're not _____ to be _____..."

Solution

An invitation

I've **just** received an **invitation** to a conference. They **want** me to give a talk **about** e-learning.

Acabo de recibir una invitación a una conferencia. Quieren que dé una charla sobre e-learning.

Conference

Normally I wouldn't think **twice** about going. These conferences on e-Learning are **excellent** opportunities to **share** ideas and learn from people in the same **field** as me.

Normalmente no me lo pensaría dos veces. Estas conferencias son oportunidades excelentes para compartir ideas y aprender de gente del mismo ámbito que yo.

English

The **problem** is this conference is in Scotland and the **last** time I gave a **speech abroad** in English I **messed** it up completely.

El problema es que esta conferencia es en Escocia y la última vez que di una charla en el extranjero en inglés metí la pata completamente.

Lack of preparation

I didn't spend **enough** time preparing my talk and I got **really** nervous. I **ended up dropping** my papers on the **floor**. I had to **apologise** to everyone. A total **disaster**! I really **regretted** not going to my English classes, I can **tell** you!

No pase el tiempo suficiente preparando mi charla y me puse muy nervioso. Terminé tirando mis papeles al suelo. Tuve que disculparme con todos. ¡Un desastre total! ¡Os puedo decir que me arrepentí mucho de no haber ido a mis clases de inglés!

Manolo

"Maria, **guess** what... they have **asked** me to **give** a presentation at a conference. The **trouble** is I have to **give** it in English."

"María ¿a que no sabes qué? Me han pedido que dé una presentación en una conferencia. El problema es que la tengo que dar en inglés."

Maria

"You **have** to give a presentation **at** a conference **here** in Malaga in English, that's a **bit** strange, isn't it?"

"Tienes que dar una charla en una conferencia aquí en Málaga en inglés, qué raro, ¿no?"

Manolo

"No, **it** isn't **here**, it's **in** Scotland"

"No, no es aquí, es en Escocia"

Maria

"Scotland!! Another **trip** abroad! You **went** to Scotland a **short** time ago! You **haven't** got **another** woman there, **have** you?"

"¡Escocia! ¡Otro viaje al extranjero! ¡Estuviste en Escocia hace poco tiempo! No tendrás a otra mujer allí, ¿verdad?"

Manolo

"Oh, Maria **darling** don't be **silly**, you know you are the **only** woman for me. I **love** you with all **my** heart. You **know** that, don't you?"

"Oh, María cariño no seas tonta, sabes que eres la única mujer para mí. Te quiero con todo mi corazón. Lo sabes, ¿verdad?"

Maria

"That's **what** you always **say** before you **go** off gallivanting, **isn't it?**"

"Eso es lo que siempre dices antes de irte por ahí de marcha, ¿verdad?"

Manolo

"Maria, you know I'd take you **with** me if I **could**, don't you?"

"María, sabes que te llevaría conmigo si pudiese, ¿verdad?"

Maria

"Yes, I **know**. How **long** are you going to be **away?**"

"Sí, lo sé. ¿Cuánto tiempo vas a estar fuera?"

Manolo

"I haven't decided **yet**, probably a **week**, why?"

"Todavía no me he decidido, posiblemente una semana, ¿por qué?"

Maria

"**Well**, I'll have to make some **arrangements** of my **own** if you're not **going** to be **around...**"

"Bueno, tendré que organizar algunas cosas yo también si tu no vas a estar por aquí..."