Lesson:  
**Describing People (Adjectives)**

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<td>alto, bajita, cabello largo, cabello corto, ojos castaños, ojos azules, cabello rubio, cabello negro</td>
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**You will also need:**

- colored crayons / pencils
- CD / Tape player or something to play the song on
- whiteboard or blackboard with as many different color markers / chalk as possible
- blank A4 paper - 1 per student
- magazine cut out pictures of people

**Notes:**

A lesson on descriptive adjectives and 3rd person 'he/she' and includes a lively song about describing your best friend.
Lesson Overview:

Warm Up and Maintenance:

1. See our "Warm Up & Wrap Up" lesson sheet.

New Learning and Practice:

1. Introduce the descriptions vocab
2. Do "Funny Body" drawings
3. Play the "Describe a Tu Amigo" song and do the active listening worksheet
4. Do the "Describir a un amigo - Una encuesta"
5. Read classroom reader "El Príncipe Inteligente"
6. Play "Guess Who?"

Wrap Up:

1. Set Homework: "Descripciones de la familia 2" worksheet
2. See our "Warm Up & Wrap Up" lesson sheet.

Lesson Procedure:

Warm Up and Maintenance:

See our "Warm Up & Wrap Up" lesson sheet.

New Learning and Practice:

1. Introduce the descriptions vocab
   For this lesson you are going to use your artistic drawing skills. Use a whiteboard or blackboard to draw the following:
   
   At the top of the board draw 2 circles (these will be the heads). Elicit "círculos".
• On each head draw a nose, ears and a mouth. Elicit each as you draw them. Then ask "¿Qué falta?" (What’s missing?).

• Elicit "los ojos". Ask "¿De qué color son?" (What color are they?) and give the students the options of the colors of markers / chalk you have. Then draw the eyes in the chosen colors with different colors for each set of eyes (NB: it’s ok to have strange colors, such as yellow, for the eyes – this will just make it more fun).

• Elicit "el cabello" and again ask "¿De qué color es?". On one head draw long hair in one color (for the girl) and on the other draw short hair (for the boy) in a different color. Teach / Elicit "largo/corto".

• Finally, you'll need to draw 2 bodies. But rather than you draw them you are going to ask for 2 volunteers to do the drawings. For the girl, draw some shoes quite near the head (so that she will be short) and for the boy draw some shoes right down at the bottom of the board (so he will be tall). Have the students draw the bodies so that they join the heads with the shoes. Now teach / elicit "alto/bajo".

It should end up looking something like this:

![Completed drawings](image)

• Now that the completed pictures are on the board, chorus 3 times the following sentences and point to the pictures as you do:

  - Él es alto.
  - Él tiene cabello corto.
  - Él tiene los ojos (azules).
  - Él tiene el cabello (anaranjado/naranja). (pelirrojo)

  - Ella es bajita.
  - Ella tiene el cabello largo.
  - Ella tiene los ojos (verdes).
  - Ella tiene el cabello (castaño).
2. Do "Funny Body" drawings
Give a piece of A4 paper to each student and yourself.

- On your piece of paper, model drawing a head with eyes, nose, ears, mouth, teeth and hair. Make it a really funny picture. Then tell everyone to draw their funny head. Make sure they use colors for the eyes and hair.

- Next show them how to fold the paper so only the neck shows (so the head is folded behind). Then get everyone to pass their paper to a different student.

- Now model drawing the body starting from the neck and going down to ankles – make it either a really short or long body and make it as funny as you can. Now have your students draw their bodies.

- Again, show everyone how to fold the paper so only the ankles are showing and have everyone pass their paper to another student.

- Finally, model drawing funny feet and get everyone to draw feet on their pictures. Then get everyone to fold up their papers and return each piece to the person who drew the head.

- Let everyone open up their paper and have a good laugh at the pictures. Now ask everyone to "present" their person in the drawing to the rest of the class – you model first (e.g. "Este es Tom, Él es bajito, tiene el cabello rosa", etc.).

3. Play the "Describe a Tu Amigo" song and do the active listening worksheet
Tell the class that they are going to listen to a song about a boy and a girl. Give out either "Describe a Tu Amigo Hoja de Trabajo 1" or "Describe a Tu Amigo Hoja de Trabajo 2" (worksheet 2 is better if you cannot print out colored worksheets).
Read the instructions to the class and then play the song. As they song is playing students should do the worksheet activity. Play the song again if required. Finally, go through the song one more time stopping to check answers.

If everyone enjoyed the song, you can play it again and have everyone sing along (especially as it’s such a catchy tune!).

### Lyrics for "Describe a Tu Amigo" (Describe Your Friend)

¡Háblame de tu mejor amigo!

**Coro:**
¿Cómo es él?
¿Cómo es él?
Cuéntame todo sobre él.

**Estrofa 1:**
Él es alto
Él tiene el cabello corto
Él tiene los ojos castaños
Él tiene el cabello rubio
Pero sobre todo, ¡él es genial!

¡Háblame de tu mejor amigo!

**Coro:**
¿Cómo es él?
¿Cómo es él?
Cuéntame todo sobre él.

**Estrofa 2:**
Ella es bajita
Ella tiene el cabello largo
Ella tiene los ojos azules
Ella tiene el cabello negro
Pero sobre todo, ¡ella es genial!

### Activities for "Describe a Tu Amigo" (Describe Your Friend)

There are no gestures for this song - a listening activity with worksheets accompanies the song instead (see point 6 below). However, if students enjoy the song you can encourage them to sing along and dance!

For the active listening activity use either of the following worksheets:

- "Describe a Tu Amigo Hoja de Trabajo 1" is a 'listen and circle what you hear' exercise.
- "Describe a Tu Amigo Hoja de Trabajo 2" is a 'listen and draw' exercise (this is better if you can't print out the color Worksheet 1)

### 4. Do the "Describir a un amigo - Una encuesta"

This will give your students the chance to use the lesson structures. Give out the class survey worksheet. Each student should work on their own for a few minutes looking at their classmates and filling in the table about 6 of their friends in the class. Whilst they are doing this, circulate and check and ask questions.
Finally, once everyone has finished, ask each student to describe some of their friends: Ask, "Háblame de tu amigo", "¿Cómo es él/ella?".

Finally, put students in pairs to practice asking about their classmates.

*Additional activity: Have your students ask about and describe family members (e.g. brothers, sisters, parents, grandparents, etc.).*

5. **Read classroom reader "El Príncipe Inteligente"**

Before class, download and print off the reader "El Príncipe Inteligente" from our website. As you go through each page, point to the pictures, elicit adjectives to describe the characters in the story:

*Teacher: (pointing to the picture of the princess on page 1) ¿Quién es ella?*
*Students: ¿Una princesa?*
*Teacher: ¡Correcto! Y ¿Cómo es ella? (elicit description adjectives)*
*Students: Ella tiene cabello largo y rubio.*
*Teacher: ¡Sí! ¿Es hermosa verdad?*
*Students: ¡Sí!*

Get the students really involved in the story by asking lots of questions such as what the animals (real and fictional) are and what everyone thinks the prince should do to rescue the princess.

6. **Play "Guess Who?"**

For this activity, you’ll need lots of magazine pictures of people. Try and get lots of different types of people pictures, with different color eyes and hair. The more pictures you can find and cut-out before class the better (Note: *This is a great resource to have for future lessons, as people pictures can be used in many different ways.*).

In class, lay out all of pictures on the floor or on a large table. Start by saying "Mi amigo tiene cabello (corto, castaño) él es (alto) y tiene ojos (verdes)" (My friend has (short, brown) hair, he is (tall) and he has (green) eyes). Everyone should try and guess which picture you are describing. You can also give additional clues (clothes, etc.). The student who guesses correctly can then have a go describing someone.
Now that everyone has got the idea of the game, put student into small groups and have them play the game together. Whilst they are playing, monitor, help and encourage the use of the lesson structures.

Wrap Up:

1. Assign Homework: "Descripciones de la familia 2"
2. Wrap up the lesson with some ideas from our "Warm Up & Wrap Up" lesson sheet.

- All flashcards, worksheets, craft sheets, readers and songs used in this lesson plan can be downloaded at spanishkidstuff.com/lesson-plans.html
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