

Rosa's Sunny Morning in the Plaza

Learning objective: To understand and recall Spanish greetings and basic social interactions in a conversational context.

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions below. Remember to look for the Spanish phrases Rosa uses to greet her friends.

Rosa the parrot flew down to the village square, where the morning sun was warming the cobblestones. She loved meeting new friends in the plaza. As she landed near a bench, she chirped, "¡Buenos días!" to a local artist who was setting up her easel. The artist smiled and replied, "¡Buenos días, Rosa!" Rosa then spotted her friend, Leo the lion, walking towards the fountain. "¡Hola, amigo!" Rosa called out happily. Leo waved his paw and walked over. "¿Cómo estás?" Leo asked. Rosa chirped that she was feeling wonderful. A young girl was sitting nearby, looking a bit shy. Rosa fluttered down and said, "¡Hola! Me llamo Rosa. ¿Cómo te llamas?" The girl beamed and told Rosa her name. They chatted for a while about the beautiful flowers in the square. As the clock struck midday, the sun climbed higher, and it was time for Rosa to head back to the library. "¡Buenas tardes!" she called to the artist as she passed by. "¡Adiós!" she chirped to Leo. Rosa loved how a few simple words could make everyone in the village feel so welcome and happy.

Word bank: Hola (Hello) · Buenos días (Good morning) · Buenas tardes (Good afternoon) · Adiós (Goodbye) · Amigo/Amiga (Friend) · Encantado (Pleased to meet you)

1. What specific greeting does Rosa use when she first lands in the plaza in the morning? (2 marks)

2. Which two characters does Rosa say goodbye to before she leaves the plaza? (2 marks)

3. Why do you think Rosa asks the shy girl for her name after saying 'Hola'? (3 marks)

4. Based on the text, what does Rosa think about the village square? (3 marks)

5. Why is it important to use different greetings like 'Buenos días' and 'Buenas tardes' depending on the time of day? Explain your reasoning. (4 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of Rosa the parrot in the village square. Include the artist with her easel and Leo the lion, and add speech bubbles showing them using their Spanish greetings.



Extension challenge: Choose two of the greetings from the word bank and write a short dialogue between two characters meeting at a park in the afternoon. Include one 'Encantado' in your conversation.