

Tumble Tower Conversation Game: Get to Know You (Spanish Class)

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Tumble Tower games, often known by the commercial name “Jenga,” are a simple and highly engaging way to bring movement, fun, and meaningful communication into the Spanish classroom. This “Get to Know You” version is perfect for the beginning of the year, class community building, conversation practice, or as a low-prep activity when you need something interactive and student-centered.

How the Game Works

Students play Tumble Tower in small groups. Each block corresponds to a question written in Spanish. When a student pulls a block, they must answer the question aloud before placing the block on top of the tower. The game continues until the tower falls, and then students can reset and continue if time allows.

What You Need

- A Tumble Tower set for each group
- A list of [numbered questions in Spanish](#)
- A marker, tape, or sticker dots to label each block with a number that matches your question list

Benefits of the Activity

This activity promotes:

- Low-pressure speaking practice
- Student-to-student interaction
- Repetition of common conversational structures
- Listening comprehension
- Class community building

Sample “Get to Know You” Questions (Spanish)

1. ¿Cómo te llamas?
2. ¿De dónde eres?
3. ¿Qué te gusta hacer en tu tiempo libre?
4. ¿Cuál es tu comida favorita?

5. ¿Tienes hermanos o hermanas?
6. ¿Qué música te gusta escuchar?
7. ¿Cuál es tu deporte favorito?
8. ¿Tienes una mascota?
9. ¿Cuál es tu clase favorita y por qué?
10. ¿A qué hora te despiertas normalmente?
11. ¿Qué programa o película te gusta más?
12. ¿Qué haces los fines de semana?

Teachers can customize the list depending on the unit, the level, or the vocabulary students are practicing.

Variations and Extensions

- Themed versions: family, school, hobbies, food, travel, daily routine
- Grammar-focused versions: preterite practice, future tense, reflexive verbs
- Cultural versions: students answer questions related to traditions, artists, celebrations, or places in the Spanish-speaking world
- Writing extension: students choose three or more questions and write their answers in complete sentences

Why This Works in a Language Classroom

Tumble Tower adds novelty and movement, which helps lower the affective filter and encourages students to speak more freely. It also provides built-in repetition as students hear multiple answers to the same questions. Because the game is familiar and hands-on, even shy or anxious learners participate more willingly.

Final Thoughts

The Tumble Tower Conversation Game is an easy, versatile, and highly effective speaking activity for Spanish class. With just a set of blocks and a question list, you can build community, improve communicative confidence, and energize your classroom.

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Block Color	Question	
Red (Personal Info)	¿Cómo te llamas?	
Red (Personal Info)	¿De dónde eres?	
Red (Personal Info)	¿Dónde vives?	
Red (Personal Info)	¿Cuántos años tienes?	
Red (Personal Info)	¿Cuándo es tu cumpleaños?	
Red (Personal Info)	¿Cuál es tu número de teléfono?	
Blue (Favorites)	¿Cuál es tu color favorito?	
Blue (Favorites)	¿Cuál es tu comida favorita?	
Blue (Favorites)	¿Cuál es tu bebida favorita?	
Blue (Favorites)	¿Cuál es tu clase favorita?	
Blue (Favorites)	¿Cuál es tu animal favorito?	
Blue (Favorites)	¿Cuál es tu estación favorita?	
Green (Daily Life)	¿A qué hora te levantas?	
Green (Daily Life)	¿A qué hora comes el desayuno?	
Green (Daily Life)	¿Qué haces después de la escuela?	
Green (Daily Life)	¿Qué haces los fines de semana?	
Green (Daily Life)	¿Qué comes normalmente para el almuerzo?	
Green (Daily Life)	¿A qué hora te acuestas?	
Yellow (School & Hobbies)	¿Qué clases tienes hoy?	
Yellow (School & Hobbies)	¿Te gusta la escuela? ¿Por qué?	
Yellow (School & Hobbies)	¿Cuál es tu maestro favorito?	
Yellow (School & Hobbies)	¿Qué deportes juegas?	
Yellow (School & Hobbies)	¿Tocas un instrumento?	
Yellow (School & Hobbies)	¿Te gusta leer o dibujar?	
Orange (Dreams & Personality)	¿Cómo eres?	
Orange (Dreams & Personality)	¿Qué quieres ser en el futuro?	
Orange (Dreams & Personality)	¿Tienes hermanos o hermanas?	
Orange (Dreams & Personality)	¿Tienes mascotas?	
Orange (Dreams & Personality)	¿Qué idiomas hablas?	
Orange (Dreams & Personality)	¿Qué te gusta hacer en tu tiempo libre?	