

5. Tapas - The Learning Section

Grammar

SAYING 'I, YOU, HE, SHE'

The Spanish word for 'I' is 'yo'

Yo quiero	I want
Yo soy	I am

But you don't often need to use 'yo' except for emphasis

Quiero	I want
Soy	I am

This is one of the main differences between Spanish and English verbs

The 'I' – the subject is already part of the Spanish verb

It's the same when you're talking about other people

Ella es periodista	She is a journalist
Él es biólogo	He is a biologist

You can take away the 'ella', she and 'él', he and they still mean the same thing

Es periodista	She is a journalist
Es biólogo	He is a biologist

But, the 'ella' and 'él' are used if there's any chance of confusing the subject of the sentence or for emphasis