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Situation 1-2: Interview

I want to get to know you and your friends a little better, so I'm asking you some questions. How do you respond?

Yo tengo ... años. ¿Y tú? ¿Cuántos años tienes?

Yo soy de... ¿De dónde eres?

¿Cómo se llama tu amigo(a)?

¿Cuántos años tiene...?

¿De dónde es...?

To say how old someone is, you'll need to use the numbers from 0 to 30. To ask where someone is from, you'll need to use the verb *ser* and to be able to form a question.

VOCABULARIO

Numbers from 0 to 30

11 Simón is working in the school bookstore taking orders for yearbooks over the phone. For each number of yearbooks ordered, write the correct numeral.

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|--------------|-------|---------------|-------|
| 1. cinco | _____ | 6. treinta | _____ |
| 2. diez | _____ | 7. dieciocho | _____ |
| 3. veintiuno | _____ | 8. quince | _____ |
| 4. ocho | _____ | 9. veintiséis | _____ |
| 5. siete | _____ | 10. trece | _____ |

12 Simón's boss wants to know how many yearbooks have been ordered by each customer. Help Simón by writing the following numbers in Spanish words.

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|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| 1. 8 | _____ | 6. 22 | _____ |
| 2. 2 | _____ | 7. 26 | _____ |
| 3. 12 | _____ | 8. 17 | _____ |
| 4. 20 | _____ | 9. 4 | _____ |
| 5. 16 | _____ | 10. 30 | _____ |

13 Claudia needs help with her math problems. Help her solve these math problems by filling in the blanks with the correct words.

MODELO $2 + 3 =$ dos y tres son cinco

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|----------------|-------|---|-------|-----|-------|
| 1. $4 + 5 =$ | _____ | y | _____ | son | _____ |
| 2. $11 + 10 =$ | _____ | y | _____ | son | _____ |
| 3. $20 + 8 =$ | _____ | y | _____ | son | _____ |
| 4. $16 + 2 =$ | _____ | y | _____ | son | _____ |
| 5. $5 + 24 =$ | _____ | y | _____ | son | _____ |
| 6. $12 + 14 =$ | _____ | y | _____ | son | _____ |
| 7. $13 + 16 =$ | _____ | y | _____ | son | _____ |
| 8. $27 + 2 =$ | _____ | y | _____ | son | _____ |
| 9. $7 + 4 =$ | _____ | y | _____ | son | _____ |
| 10. $1 + 9 =$ | _____ | y | _____ | son | _____ |

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14 At an international youth conference, you overhear people telling where they're from. Fill in each blank with the correct form of *ser*.

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| 1. Yo _____ de San Francisco, California. | 4. Tú _____ de San Juan, ¿no? |
| 2. Miguel _____ de Madrid. | 5. ¿De dónde _____ Francesca? |
| 3. ¿De dónde _____ tú? | 6. Felipe _____ de Cuba. |

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15 You're transcribing some taped interviews for the school newspaper, but you're not able to hear the entire conversations. For each of the responses below, write what the interviewer asked or said.

1. — ¿ _____ ?
 — Tengo quince años.
2. — ¿ _____ ?
 — Estoy bastante bien, gracias.
3. — ¿ _____ ?
 — Soy Jannie Gooden.
4. — _____
 — Soy de Managua, Nicaragua.
5. — _____
 — Me llamo Lamar Dungey.