

Portuguese for Beginners

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Lesson 1

Lesson 1: Learn Portuguese ter: Master 'have' fast (English – Portuguese)

Brought to you by SynapseLingo, this fun English – Portuguese mini-lesson helps you master the verb 'have' with ter. You'll practice: have, I have, you have, he has, she has, it has, we have, you have (plural), they have – with eu tenho, você tem, ele tem, ela tem, tem, nós temos, vocês têm, eles têm. Perfect for quick drills, dialogues, and a short quiz to boost your confidence in Portuguese. Visit www.synapse-lingo.com for more resources and practice.

Welcome to SynapseLingo

Hey there! This episode is brought to you by SynapseLingo – your turbo boost for languages. For more goodies, visit www.synapse-lingo.com. Ready to laugh and learn? Let's

roll!

Today you'll conquer the English – Portuguese verb for have: *ter*. By the end, you'll say I have, you have, he has, she has, it has, we have, you have (plural), they have – like a pro.

Your goal today

You'll map each English form to a clear Portuguese phrase. Say them out loud with me!

- have → *ter*
- I have → *eu tenho*
- you have (singular) → *você tem*
- he has → *ele tem*
- she has → *ela tem*
- it has → *tem*
- we have → *nós temos*
- you have (plural) → *vocês têm*
- they have → *eles têm*

Form parade (rhythm drill)

Clap the beat and follow my rhythm. Keep it playful and punchy!

- I have – *eu tenho*
- you have – *você tem*

- he has – ele tem
- she has – ela tem
- it has – tem
- we have – nós temos
- you have (plural) – vocês têm
- they have – eles têm

Dialogue at the concert

Let's jump into a funny scene. You're at the gate – don't drop the tickets!

- You: Do we have the tickets? – we have → nós temos
- Friend: Relax, we have them: nós temos os ingressos.
- You: Great! Does she have the snacks? – she has → ela tem
- Friend: Claro, ela tem batata e chocolate.
- You: And the phone – does it have battery? – it has → tem
- Friend: Sim, tem 80\
- You: Do you have my number? – you have (singular) → você tem
- Friend: Sim, você tem um recado meu também!

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- Guard to your group: You have the VIP passes, right?
– you have (plural) → vocês têm
 - Crowd behind you: They have extra tickets! – they have → eles têm
 - You (proud): I have everything. – I have → eu tenho

Mini drills

Your turn – quick call and response. Say it out loud!

- Say: I have coffee. → eu tenho café.
- Say: You have time. (singular) → você tem tempo.
- Say: He has a plan. → ele tem um plano.
- Say: She has keys. → ela tem chaves.
- Say: It has Wi-Fi. → tem Wi-Fi.
- Say: We have a car. → nós temos um carro.
- Say: You have tickets. (plural) → vocês têm ingressos.
- Say: They have ideas. → eles têm ideias.
- Bonus base verb: to have → ter.

Culture tip

Here's a quick insider boost you'll hear everywhere in Brazil.

- In Brazilian Portuguese, you'll often hear tem used like 'there is/are': Example: Tem Wi-Fi aqui?

- For age, Portuguese uses have: I have 20 years → eu tenho 20 anos (not 'I am 20').
- Base verb to remember: have = ter. Your daily superpower!

Quick quiz

Answer fast – no overthinking! Then I'll reveal the answer.

- 1) Fill the blank: We have time. → nós - - - tempo.
Answer: temos.
- 2) Translate: You have a pen. (singular) → você tem uma caneta.
- 3) Which means 'they have'? eles têm or ele tem?
Answer: eles têm.
- 4) The infinitive of have is... → ter.
- 5) True or false: 'it has' = tem. Answer: True.

30-second challenge

Ready for a speed run? Say each English prompt in Portuguese – go!

- I have a question. → eu tenho uma pergunta.
- You have time. (singular) → você tem tempo.
- He has a dog. → ele tem um cachorro.
- She has a bike. → ela tem uma bicicleta.
- It has a new feature. → tem um novo recurso.

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- We have water. → nós temos água.
 - You have tickets. (plural) → vocês têm ingressos.
 - They have time. → eles têm tempo.
 - Base check: to have → ter. Nailed it!

Wrap-up \ thanks

You did it! Quick recap and a smile to finish.

Today you mastered have = ter and all key forms: eu tenho, você tem, ele tem, ela tem, tem, nós temos, vocês têm, eles têm. Thanks for listening – keep practicing a little every day, and you'll fly. This podcast was brought to you by SynapseLingo – visit www.synapse-lingo.com for more lessons, drills, and laughs. Até a próxima!

Lesson 2

Lesson 2: Learn 'be' = ser: English – Portuguese Mini Podcast

Boost your English – Portuguese learning with a funny audio lesson on the verb 'to be' in Portuguese: ser. We drill the present forms for identity with real-life lines you can say out loud: eu sou, você é, ele é, ela é, é, nós somos, vocês são, eles são. Perfect for beginners who want to learn Portuguese fast, practice pronunciation, and master 'be' vs ser. Short, engaging, and packed with examples you can use today.

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- Grab your headphones, warm up your smile, and let's make Portuguese your new party trick.

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- Today you'll nail 'be' in Portuguese – aka ser – with bite-size chunks, laughs, and quick wins.

Your Goal Today

You'll speak clean, confident identity sentences in minutes.

By the end, you will say who you are, who they are, and what it is – using ser forms like a champ. Think introductions, job titles, origins, and team chants.

Chunky Forms You Need

Repeat after me, nice and bold.

- Infinitive 'to be' (identity): ser.
- I am: eu sou.
- You are (singular): você é.
- He is: ele é.
- She is: ela é.
- It is: é.
- We are: nós somos.
- You are (plural): vocês são.
- They are: eles são.

Mini Dialogue

Listen first, then shadow the lines with me.

- A: Quick intro time – who are you?

- B: I am Ana – eu sou Ana.
- A: Great. Are we a team?
- B: Yes, we are – nós somos uma equipe.
- A: Who is João?
- B: ele é o líder.
- A: And Carla?
- B: ela é designer.
- A: Perfect. What is this brilliant sketch?
- B: é um plano.
- A: You all are amazing!
- B (to the group): vocês são incríveis!
- A: And our partners over there?
- B: eles são do Brasil.

Rapid-Fire Drills

You speak, I cheer. Say it out loud and own it.

- Say: I am a student. Answer: eu sou estudante.
- Say: You are kind. Answer: você é gentil.
- Say: He is a doctor. Answer: ele é médico.
- Say: She is brilliant. Answer: ela é brilhante.
- Say: It is a good idea. Answer: é uma boa ideia.

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- Say: We are friends. Answer: nós somos amigos.
 - Say: You are (plural) winners. Answer: vocês são vencedores.
 - Say: They are engineers. Answer: eles são engenheiros.
 - Bonus: Name the verb itself, 'to be' (identity). Answer: ser.

Culture Snack

Tiny tip, huge payoff.

Use ser for identity and permanent traits; save estar for temporary states. In Brazil, 'you' is often você; in Portugal you'll also hear 'tu'. Shakespeare in Portuguese? Ser ou não ser – that is still the question.

Quiz Time

Answer after the pause; I'll confirm right away.

- How do you say 'I am' (identity) in Portuguese? eu sou.
- Give the plural 'you are'. vocês são.
- Say 'he is'. ele é.
- Say 'she is'. ela é.
- Translate 'it is'. é.
- How do you say 'we are'? nós somos.
- Translate 'they are'. eles são.
- Finally, the base verb 'to be' (identity). ser.

Final Challenge

Boss level: stitch it all together smoothly.

Introduce your crew at a meetup: Start with 'I am' – eu sou + your name; then 'we are' – nós somos designers; point to a friend: 'he is' – ele é o líder; 'she is' – ela é gerente; show the plan: é um projeto ousado; hype the room: vocês são parte da equipe; and close strong: eles são nossos parceiros. To ser or not to ser? Today you absolutely chose to ser.

Thanks and See You

You crushed it!

Thanks for listening, and keep practicing these chunks every day. For more bite-size lessons, transcripts, and quizzes, visit www.synapse-lingo.com. This episode was brought to you by SynapseLingo – see you next time!

Lesson 3

Lesson 3: English to Portuguese: Go = ir – Master ‘go’ Forms Fast

Learn English – Portuguese basics with a fun focus on the verb ‘go’ = ir. We’ll practice: he goes ele vai, she goes ela vai, we go nós vamos, you (plural) go vocês vão, they go eles vão, plus the handy mood word ‘so-so’ mais ou menos. Perfect for beginners who want real-life phrases and quick wins in Portuguese. Boost your listening, laugh along, and start speaking today.

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Your goal today: nail ‘go’ in Portuguese – ‘go’ = ir. We’ll hit ‘he goes’ ele vai, ‘she goes’ ela vai, ‘we go’ nós vamos, ‘you (plural) go’ vocês vão, ‘they go’ eles vão, and the mood

word 'so-so' mais ou menos. Ready? Let's go!

Fast Forms: ir in 20 Seconds

Quick chant time – repeat after me for a confidence boost.

- Infinitive: ir.
- I go: eu vou.
- You (singular) go: você vai.
- He goes: ele vai.
- She goes: ela vai.
- We go: nós vamos.
- You (plural) go: vocês vão.
- They go: eles vão.

Mini Dialogue: Doorway Decisions

Listen in and repeat the bold parts out loud.

- A: How's it going? B: Mais ou menos.
- A: Okay – he goes first = ele vai primeiro.
- B: Then she goes = ela vai.
- A: After that, we go = nós vamos.
- B: You (plural) go together = vocês vão juntos.
- A: Finally, they go to the park = eles vão ao parque.
- B: And the plan is to go = plano é ir.