

Which Platform? A Train Announcement Mystery | English Detective

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Study task: Listen again and notice the expressions you studied.

1

instead of

en lugar de

DEF

In place of someone or something else.

Signals replacement, not a free choice between two options. Follow it with a noun, pronoun or -ing form.

ES

En sustitución de otra persona o cosa.

Indica un reemplazo, no una elección libre entre opciones; va seguido de sustantivo, pronombre o forma en -ing.

The train will depart from platform six instead of platform four.

The train will depart from platform six instead of platform four. → El tren saldrá del andén seis en lugar del cuatro.

Today, I am taking the bus instead of driving.

Today, I am taking the bus instead of driving. → Hoy voy en autobús en lugar de conducir.

2

running late

ir con retraso

DEF

Behind the time originally planned or expected.

Used for people and services. Running describes the state of the schedule, not physical running; a delay is added to the original time.

ES

Ir por detrás de la hora prevista o esperada.

Se usa para personas y servicios; running se refiere al horario, no a correr físicamente, y el retraso se suma a la hora original.

The service is running ten minutes late.

The service is running ten minutes late. → El servicio lleva diez minutos de retraso.

I am running ten minutes late; please start without me.

I am running ten minutes late; please start without me. → Llevo diez minutos de retraso; empezad sin mí, por favor.



3

depart from*salir de***DEF**

To leave a particular place.

Common in travel announcements and more formal than leave. From introduces the starting place; for can introduce the destination.

ES

Abandonar un lugar concreto para iniciar un trayecto.

Es habitual en anuncios de transporte y más formal que leave; from introduce el lugar de salida y for puede introducir el destino.

The train departs from platform six.

The train departs from platform six. → El tren sale del andén seis.

Our flight departs from Madrid at noon.

Our flight departs from Madrid at noon. → Nuestro vuelo sale de Madrid al mediodía.

