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**Filler words in Spanish (muletillas) – sound like a native speaker, not a textbook!**

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In English we have many filler words that we use to give ourselves time to think about what we are going to say next, such as; *err, well, hmmm, like,* etc. Particularly when you are learning to speak a foreign language like Spanish you start a sentence and then halfway you get stuck as to what to say next and you need a few seconds to think. It is here that these “filler words” come in handy. In Spanish, “filler” words are known as ***“muletillas”*** or ***“palabras de relleno”***. If you can learn a few of these words they will not only make you to sound more natural and therefore more like a native speaker, but they can also give you time to think about how to word what you want to say next. Read on to learn the key “filler words” ***(“muletillas”)*** in Spanish and sound like a true Spaniard!:

**Bueno –** *Well*

**Pues** - *Well* **"bueno"** and **"pues"** are used in the same way]

**Vale** - *Ok*

**Venga** - *Come on*

**Sabes** - *You know*

**A ver** - *Let’s see*

**Vamos a ver** – *Let’s see*

**Mira** - *Look*

**O sea -** *I mean / Or rather*

**Es decir** - *That is to say*

**Sin embargo** – *However / Nevertheless*

**Así** - *Like this/that, So*

**Entonces** – *Then, So*

**Luego** - *Then / Later*

**¿No?** - *Isn’t it? / Isn’t that right?*

**¿Verdad?** – *Right? / True?*

**¡Vaya!** - *Wow!* [To express surprise, disgust, satisfaction]

**Viste –** *You see / Wasn’t it?* [Argentinean Spanish]

**You can also use two filler words together:**

**Pues bien** - *Right / Ok*

**Así pues** - *So then*

**Bueno pues** - *Ok then*

**Pues entonces** - *In that case*

**Pues entonces nada** – *Nothing in that case*

**Pues nada** - *Nothing*

**Pues mira** - *Well look*

**Pues sí** - *Yes then*

**Pues vaya** - *Wow*

**Algo así** - *Something like that*