

## Ceacht 2 *Cé as tú?*/Where are you from?

### In this lesson you will learn how to:

- \* Say where you are from.
- \* Ask where others are from.
- \* State your nationality.

### 1. Abairtí Úsáideacha/Useful Expressions

Repeat each one as you hear it on the CD:

Cé as tú? (Pronounced 'thú' often in the spoken language.)

Is as Éirinn mé.

Cé as tú féin?

Is as an Spáinn mé.

Is as Baile Átha Cliath mé.

Is as Gaillimh mé.

An Éireannach tú?

Is ea/ ní hea.

Where are you from?

I'm from Ireland.

Where are you from?

I'm from Spain.

I'm from Dublin.

I'm from Galway.

Are you Irish? (Is it an Irish person you)

I am/ I'm not. (It is/it is not)

### Comhrá (ceacht 2 ar dhlúthdhiosca)

(Follow CD instructions as in ceacht 1)

Leanann Síle agus Seán ar aghaidh leis an gcómhrá:

*Síle and Seán continue their conversation:*

Síle: Ní Éireannach tú, a Sheáin, cé as tú?

Seán: Is as Meiriceá mé. Cé as tú féin, a Shíle?

Síle: Is as Baile Átha Cliath mé.

### Comhrá Ceacht 2 - Aistriúchán/Translation

Ní Éireannach tú, a Sheáin, Cé as tú?	You are not Irish Seán. Where are you from?
Is as Meiriceá mé. Cé as tú féin, a Shíle?	I am from America. Where are you from Síle?
Is as Baile Átha Cliath mé.	I am from Dublin.

## Le foghlaim/To be learned

**Níl aon 'yes' ná 'no' sa Ghaeilge, cé go mbíonn freagraí dearfacha agus diúltacha inti, ar ndóigh. Bíonn an freagra i gcónaí bunaithe ar fhoirm na ceiste.**

*There is no 'yes' or 'no' in Irish, although there are of course positive and negative responses to questions. The way in which a question is answered always reflects the form that the question takes.*

### **Ceisteanna agus freagraí ar chúrsaí atá sealadach leis an mbriathar Tá:** *Questions and answers on transitory matters with the verb to be, 'Tá':*

<b>An bhfuil tú go maith?</b> Are you well?	<b>Tá/Níl.</b> I am/I'm not.
<b>An bhfuil Mícheál ansin?</b> Is Mícheál there?	<b>Tá/Níl.</b> He is/he's not.
<b>An bhfuil Caitriona anseo?</b> Is Caitriona here?	<b>Tá/Níl.</b> She is/She's not.

### **Ceisteanna agus freagraí ar chúrsaí atá buan leis an gcopail is:** *Questions and answers on permanent matters with the copula 'is':*

<b>An Éireannach tú?</b> Are you Irish (lit=Is it an Irish person you?)	<b>Ní hea, is Spáinneach mé.</b> I'm not, I'm Spanish. (=It is not, it is a Spanish person me)
<b>An Spáinneach tú?</b> Are you Spanish?	<b>Is ea.</b> I am.
<b>An Francach tú?</b> Are you French?	<b>Is ea.</b> I am.
<b>An Sasanach tú?</b> Are you English?	<b>Ní hea, is as an mBreatain Bheag mé.</b> I'm not, I'm from Wales.

### **Náisiúntachtaí eile** *Other nationalities*

Afraiceach	Ioruach
Dúitseach	Sualannach
Gearmánach	Rúiseach
Danmhargach	Síneach
Portaingéalach	Seapánach
Iodálach	Polannach
Íoslannach	

## Obair Bheirte/Pair Work

Agus tú ag obair leis an duine in aice leat, bain úsáid as an gcomhrá thuas le rá cé as tú.  
*With the person beside you, use the above dialogue to detail of where you are from.*

### Tíortha na hEorpa:

*European countries:*

<b>Tír</b>	<b>Country</b>	
Éire	<i>Ireland</i>	Is as Éirinn mé. <i>I am from Ireland.</i>
Albain	<i>Scotland</i>	Is as Albain mé.
An Bhreatain Bheag	<i>Wales</i>	Is as an mBreatain Bheag mé.
Sasana	<i>England</i>	Is as Sasana mé.
An Fhrainc	<i>France</i>	Is as an bhFrainc mé.
An Spáinn	<i>Spain</i>	Is as an Spáinn mé.
An Ghearmáin	<i>Germany</i>	Is as an nGearmáin mé.
An Phortaingéil	<i>Portugal</i>	Is as an bPortaingéil mé.
An Danmhairg	<i>Denmark</i>	Is as an Danmhairg mé.
An Iodáil	<i>Italy</i>	Is as an Iodáil mé.
An tSualainn	<i>Sweden</i>	Is as an tSualainn mé.

**Mura bhfuil gach tír atá uaibh ar an liosta, cuir ceist ar an múinteoir.** *If every country that you need isn't on the list, ask the teacher.*

## 2. Cabhair leis an nGramadach/ Help with Grammar

*The teacher will emphasise the most important of the following grammatical points. It is not essential that you learn them all off by heart.*

<b>Is = An Chopail/ The Copula</b>
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### Bíonn an chopail in úsáid chun:

*The copula is used to:*

#### A. Duine, rud a aithint:

*To identify a person or thing:*

**An tusa Áine?**  
Are you Áine?

**Is mé. Ní mé**  
I am. I'm not.

<b>An é sin Mohammed?</b>	<b>Is é.</b>	<b>Ní hé</b>
Is that Mohammed?	It is.	It isn't.
<b>An í sin Siobhán?</b>	<b>Is í.</b>	<b>Ní hí.</b>
Is that Siobhán?	It is.	It isn't

**B. Chun rangnú a dhéanamh/to classify:**

<b>An Éireannach tú?</b>	<b>Is ea.</b>	<b>Ní hea.</b>
Are you Irish?	I am.	I'm not.
<b>An Francach tú?</b>	<b>Is ea.</b>	<b>Ní hea.</b>
Are you French?	I am.	I'm not.
<b>An Spáinneach tú?</b>	<b>Is ea.</b>	<b>Ní hea</b>
Are you Spanish?	I am.	I'm not.

**Pléifear na rudaí a leanas sa dara cuid den chúrsa:**

*The following will be discussed in the second part of the course:*

- C. **Chun seilbh a chur in iúl le 'le'.** *Used to convey ownership with 'le'.*
- D. **Chun béim a chur.** *To emphasise.*
- E. **Le sárchéim na haidiachta.** *With superlative of adjective.*
- F. **Le leaganacha cainte.** *With idiomatic expressions.*

**Urú/ Eclipse**

Urú/Eclipse	Litir/Letter	Sampla/Example
m	b	as an <b>m</b> Breatain Bheag/ <i>from Wales</i>
g	c	leis an <b>g</b> cat/ <i>with the cat</i>
n	d	i <b>n</b> Doire/ <i>in Derry</i>
bh	f	as an <b>bh</b> Frainc/ <i>from France</i>
n	g	ar an <b>n</b> geata/ <i>on the gate</i>
b	p	as an <b>b</b> Portaingéil/ <i>from Portugal</i>
d	t	i <b>d</b> teach/ <i>in a house</i>

### 3. Súil Siar/*Looking back*

#### Gníomhachtaí scríbhneoireachta/*Writing Activities*

##### Aistrigh go Gaeilge:

1. Where are you from?.....
2. I am from Spain.....
3. Seán is from Ireland.....
4. Silvia is from France.....
5. Are you from Germany? I am/ I'm not.....

#### Gníomhaíochtaí Éisteachta/*Listening activities (ceacht 2)*

##### Éist leis an dlúthdhiosca agus freagair na ceistanna a leanas:

*Listen to the CD and answer the following questions: (A transcript of the conversation can be found at the end of this lesson.)*

1. Cé as é Seán?
2. Cé as í Síle?

#### 4. Obair Bhaile na Seachtaine seo/*This week's homework*

**A.** Work with the CD and the handbook regularly during the week as before. 20 minutes on a daily basis is an effective and realistic approach.

**B.** Try to use basic greetings and phrases as often as possible during the week.

##### **Transcript of conversation, ceacht 2:**

##### *Gníomhaíochtaí Éisteachta*

Síle: Dia duit.  
Seán: Dia is Muire duit.  
Síle: Is mise Síle. Cad is ainm duit?  
Seán: Seán is ainm dom.  
Síle: Cé as tú a **Sheáin**?  
Seán: Is as an **bh**Frainc mé. Cé as tú féin, a **Shíle**?  
Síle: Is as **Éirinn** mé.