

## 22. The Verb SER (To Be) in Descriptions

In Spanish use the verb “to be” (**ser**):

1. To say what *somebody does*:

**Paula es estudiante de música.** (Paula is a music student.)

2. To say where *somebody is from*:

**Soy de Michigan. ¿De dónde eres tú?** (I'm from Michigan. Where are you from?)

3. To express *possession*:

**Esos libros son míos.** (Those books are mine.)

4. To say *how somebody or something is*:

**Ramón es muy perezoso.** (Ramón is very lazy.)

5. To ask *what time it is*:

**¿Qué hora es? Son las siete y cuarto.** (What time is it? It's seven-fifteen.)

6. When *describing the similarities between two people*, you can use the verb “to be” (**ser**) + **parecido/a**:

**Mi hermano y mi padre son muy parecidos.** (My brother and my father are very similar.)

*or*

**Yo soy muy parecida a mi hermana.** (I am very similar to my sister.)