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LEARNING the IMPERFECT – (Lady Gaga Style)

00:24

Let's learn to conjugate in the Imperfect, please

It can be so simple if you sing this song with me

(Lo amo)

Like most conjugations we will need the stem to start

And afterwards we'll add these endings for the verbs –AR

00:40

Let's go-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh

I'll get it right, show you what I got

Let's go-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh

I'll get it right, show you what I got

00:56 *coro

aba (hold first a sound 2 counts)

then **abas**

now repeat **aba** (hold first a 2 counts), **ábamos** (ábamos takes the place of POKER FACE)

And the last one will be **aban**

aba (hold first a sound 2 counts)

then **abas**

now repeat **aba** (hold first a 2 counts), **ábamos** (ábamos takes the place of POKER FACE)

And the last one will be **aban**

1:12 (*P-P-P-Poker Face)

C-C-C –Conjugate, C-C-Conjugate (mum mum mum mah)

C-C-C –Conjugate, C-C-Conjugate (mum mum mum mah)

1:20

You see how easy conjugating verbs can be

But we've only learned the endings for 1 out of 3

(Lo amo)

Imperfect Verbs just aren't the same without some fun

So now let's add imperfect endings for the other ones

1:36

Let's go-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh

I'll get it right, show you what I got

Let's go-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh

I'll get it right, show you what I got

1:53 *coro

ía (hold "i" 2 counts)

then **ías**

now repeat **ía** (hold "i" 2 counts), **íamos** (íamos takes the place of POKER FACE)

And the last one will be **ían**

ía (hold "i" 2 counts)

then **ías**

now repeat **ía** (hold "i" 2 counts), **íamos** (íamos takes the place of POKER FACE)

And the last one will be **ían**

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2:09 (*P-P-P-Poker Face)

C-C-C –Conjugate, C-C-Conjugate (mum mum mum mah)

C-C-C –Conjugate, C-C-Conjugate (mum mum mum mah)

2:24

I won't tell you that it's perfect

the Imperfect

Con-ju-ga-tion, con-ju-ga-tion

I'm not lying I'm just saying: Look, you're learnin' LEARNin'

Just like all other tenses out there

The ir-reg-u-lars can freak you out

I promise this, promise this

Learn these 3 then you're done

***coro**

First is **IR**

Second **SER**

And then the 3rd is **VER**, **IRREGULARS** (IRREGULARS takes the place of POKER FACE)

You will have to me-mo-rize these

iba (hold "i" 2 counts)

then **ibas**

now repeat **iba** (hold "i" 2 counts), **ibamos** (ibamos takes the place of POKER FACE)

And the last one will be **iban**

era (hold "e" sound 2 counts)

then **eras**

now repeat **era** (hold "e" sound 2 counts), **éramos** (éramos takes the place of POKER FACE)

And the last one will be **eran**

veía (hold "i" sound 2 counts)

veías (hold "i" sound 2 counts)

again **veía** (hold "i" sound 2 counts), **veíamos** (veíamos takes the place of POKER FACE)

And the last one is **veían**

aba (hold first a sound 2 counts)

then **abas**

now repeat **aba** (hold first a 2 counts), **ábamos** (ábamos takes the place of POKER FACE)

And the last one will be **aban**

ía (hold "i" 2 counts)

then **ías**

now repeat **ía** (hold "i" 2 counts), **íamos** (íamos takes the place of POKER FACE)

And the last one will be **ían**

3:29 (*P-P-P-Poker Face)

C-C-C –Conjugate, C-C-Conjugate (mum mum mum mah)

C-C-C –Conjugate, C-C-Conjugate (mum mum mum mah)

C-C-C –Conjugate, C-C-Conjugate (mum mum mum mah)

C-C-C –Conjugate, C-C-Conjugate (mum mum mum mah)