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WHAT SOMETHING IS (DOCTOR+)

DESCRIPTION/DESCRIPCIÓN: to describe people, places, things

- permanent qualities that describe a person, for example names, nationalities, and descriptions of physique:
Soy Guillermo. *I'm William.*
Son guatemaltecos. *They are Guatemalan.*
Amelia es alta. *Amelia is tall.*
Juan es delgado. *John is thin (he is a thin man).**

OCCUPATION/OCUPACIÓN: to express a person's occupation, profession or hobby, religious or political affiliation

- to describe what you do, or what you identify yourself as, or would introduce yourself as:
Ella es entrenadora de atletismo. *She is a running coach.*
Son estudiantes de tiempo completo. *They are full-time students.*
Su madre es protestante. *Her mother is Protestant.*

CHARACTERISTIC/CARACTERÍSTICA: to identify an intrinsic character of people, places, things

- describing someone's personality:
Mi amiga Estefanía es muy amable. *My friend Stephanie is very kind.*
- describing a distinguishing trait, quality or property:
Ella es inteligente. *She is intelligent.*

TIME OR DATE/HORA O FECHA: to express time

- referring to characteristics involving time: time of the day, days, dates (birthdays, anniversaries, holidays), years:
Son las cuatro. *It's four o'clock.*
Hoy es viernes. *Today is Friday.*
Es el 1 de enero. *It's January 1st.*

ORIGIN/ORIGEN: to express origin, nationality, ethnicity, race [ser + de]

- where a person comes from or where something was made:
Somos de la ciudad de Los Ángeles. *We are from the city of Los Angeles.*
- to describe the material of what something is made of:
La mesa es de madera. *The table is made of wood.*

RELATION/RELACIÓN: to express relationship

- when talking about how one person is related to another or what their relationship or tie is in families, friendships, etc.:
Ellos son mis hermanos. *They are my brothers.*
Ida es mi abuela. *Ida is my grandmother.*

AS WELL AS/ADEMÁS:

EVENTS/EVENTOS: To express where an event takes place or the time of an event

- El concierto es en el parque. *The concert is in the park.*

POSSESSION/POSESIÓN: To express or address possession [ser + de + quién]

- El carro es de mi mamá. *The car is my mom's.*
El carro es suyo. *The car is theirs/hers/his.*