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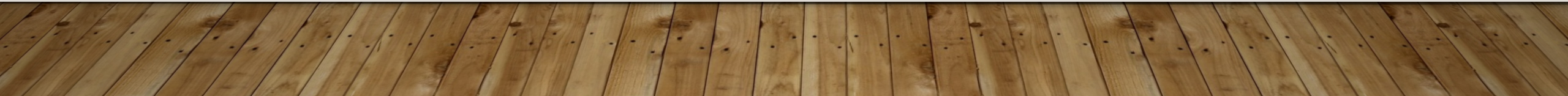
WEEK 1 OF THE SPEAK METHOD

TALKING ABOUT YOURSELF

By the end of this lesson you'll be able to say:

- Who you are
- Where you're from
- Where you live
- What languages you speak
- A little about your family

And you'll understand exactly how these sentences are built.



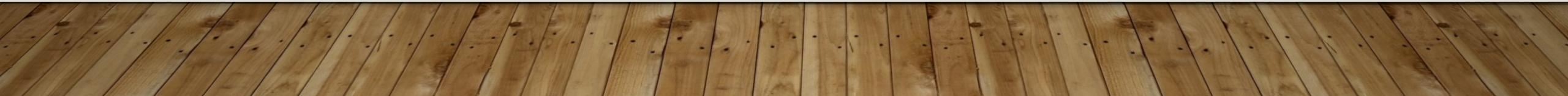
In English we usually say:

I am Mara.

I am Italian.

I am happy.

Most sentences begin with a person/subject and a verb.



Subject Pronouns

English

I

You

He

She

We

You (plural)

They

Italian

io

tu

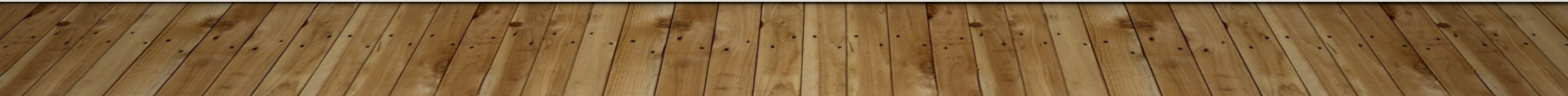
lui

lei

noi

voi

loro



ESSERE

io SONO

tu SEI

lui - lei È

noi SIAMO

voi SIETE

loro SONO

uguali

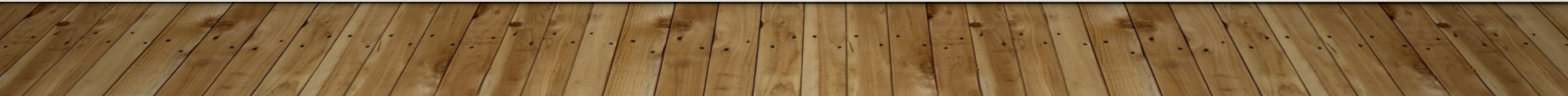
Examples

Sono Mara.

Sono italiana.

Sono felice.

Sono pensionata.



MASCULINE AND FEMININE

This is where Italian differs from English.

Male:

Italiano

Americano

Pensionato

Felice

Female:

Italiana

Americana

Pensionata

Felice

Many words ending in O change to A for females.

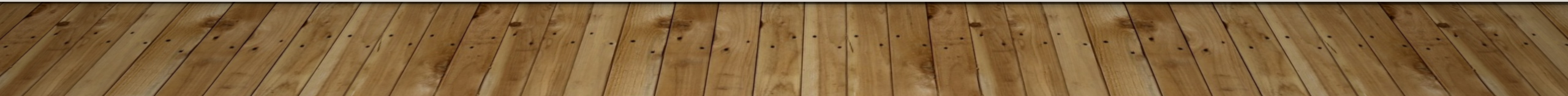
Examples:

Sono italiano.

Sono italiana.

Sono pensionato.

Sono pensionata.



— AVERE —

IO HO

TU HAI

LUI/LEI HA

NOI ABBIAMO

VOI AVETE

LORO HANNO

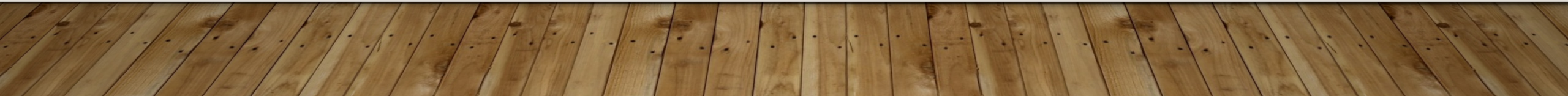
Examples

Ho una famiglia.

Ho due figli.

Ho un amico.

Ho una casa.



BUILDING SENTENCES

Subject + Verb + Information

Example:

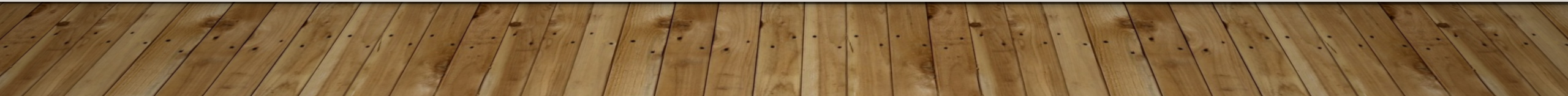
Sono italiana.

Ho due figli.

Parlo inglese.

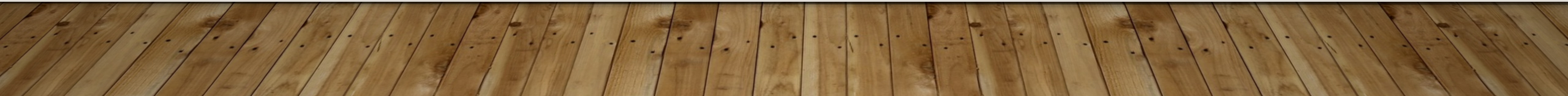
Abito a Johannesburg.

Mi chiamo Mara.



THE WEEK'S VERBS

For speaking quickly, we are going to use the I form right now.



Mi chiamo

Mi chiamo Mara.

Abito

Abito a Roma.

Parlo

Parlo inglese.

Studio

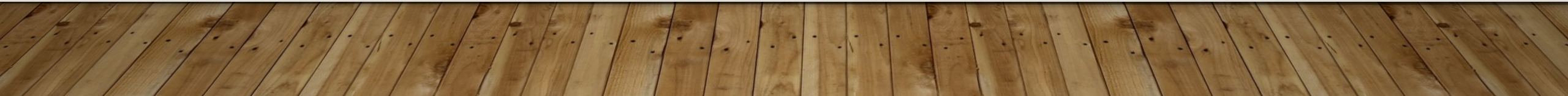
Studio italiano.

Lavoro

Lavoro in una scuola.

Vivo

Vivo in Sud Africa.



PUTTING IT TOGETHER

Now build a mini introduction.

Mi chiamo Mara.

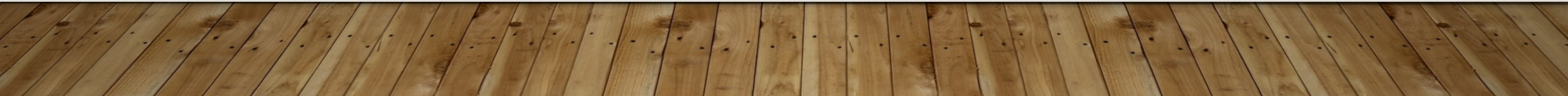
Sono italiana.

Abito a Johannesburg.

Parlo inglese e italiano.

Ho un figlio.

Studio il serbo.



COMMON QUESTIONS

Come ti chiami?

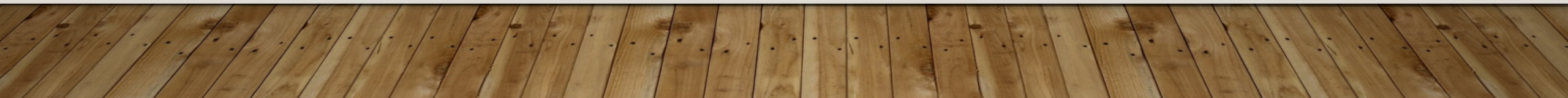
Di dove sei?

Dove abiti?

Parli italiano?

Hai figli?

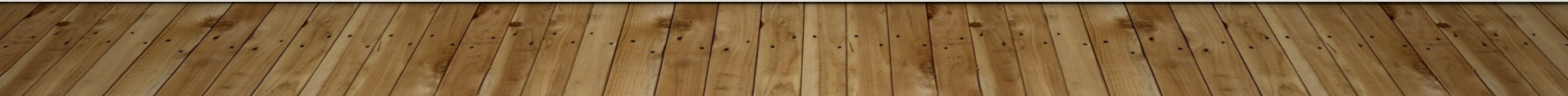
Che lavoro fai?



SPEAK CHALLENGE

My name is Mara. I am Italian. I live in Johannesburg. I speak English and Italian. I have two children.

"Your challenge this week is to create your own version."



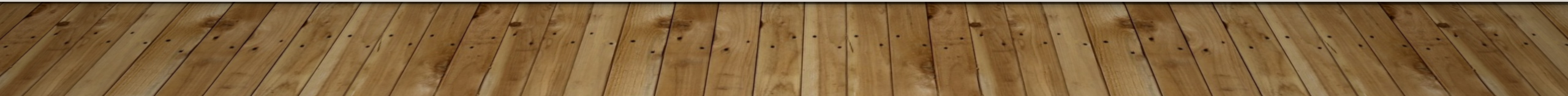
HOMEWORK EXPLANATION

Throughout the week you'll complete:

- ✓ Vocabulary practice
- ✓ Speaking questions
- ✓ Daily activities
- ✓ Translation exercises
- ✓ 60-second speaking challenge

Don't worry about being perfect.

The goal is to SPEAK.



By the end of Week 1
you should be able to introduce yourself confidently in
Italian.

Remember:
Italian is not learned by watching.

Italian is learned by SPEAKING.

SEE YOU IN THE ACTIVITIES

