Spanish in Mexico Video Transcripts

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"Buying Mandarins at the Open Market"

Spanish transcript:

"Mine: Buenas tardes...¿Cuatro kilos por diez pesos?

Vendedor: Sí.

Mine: ¿Yo las puedo escoger?

Vendedor: Sí.

Mine: A ver, me prestas la...¿De dónde las traen?

¿Así o...?

Vendedor: ¿Cuántos querías?

Mine: Los cuatro kilos.

Vendedor: Te falta.

Mine: Bueno tres kilos nada más.

Vendedor: Te falta.

Mine: ¿Cuánto va a ser?

Vendedor: Serían siete cincuenta.

Mine: Aquí tienes...Gracias."

English translation:

"Mine: Good afternoon. Four kilos for ten pesos?

Vendor: Yes.

Mine: Can I pick them?

Vendor: Yes.

Mine: Let's see...can you give me the...Where are they from?...Like that or...?

Vendor: How many kilos did you want?

Mine: Four kilos.

Vendor: You need more.

Mine: Actually, only three kilos.

Vendor: You need more.

Mine: How much is it?

Vendor: That would be...seven fifty.

Mine: Here you go. Thank you."

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