

Activities to do **BEFORE** you listen to the podcast

A Rewrite each sentence using one of the phrases in the list. Make any necessary changes.

- vistas
- dive into
- poke your nose into
- humble
- intimidated
- underrated
- stubborn
- a misfit
- hustle
- toy with something

1. The film was so interesting, but it **wasn't appreciated as much as it deserved**.
2. The mountain offers beautiful **views** of the valley below.
3. I like the **energy** and noise of a big city.
4. She always tries to **be involved in** other people's business.
5. He felt like **he didn't belong** at the formal dinner party.
6. Despite all the advice, he was **not willing to change his mind** and did what he wanted.
7. She felt very **nervous and scared** during the interview.
8. Despite his success, he is **not arrogant at all**.
9. He decided to **start working on** the project immediately.
10. She **thought about** the idea of starting a business but didn't take it seriously.

B Pick 1 new word or expression and use it in your next English lesson, meeting or email.

Activities to do **WHILE** you listen to the podcast

C Answer these questions.

1. What's Divya favourite song? How did she learn it?
2. Who does she admire from Slovakia? Why?
3. What does her name mean? Why did she call herself Petra?
4. What does her hometown have in common with Bratislava?
5. How does she stay connected to her culture?
6. What is her podcast about?

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D Discuss the questions below with a friend or write down your answers.

1. Which are your favourite podcasts? Why?
2. If you had your own podcast, what would it be about?

KEY

A: 1-The film was so interesting, but it was underrated., 2-The mountain offers beautiful vistas of the valley below., 3-I like the hustle and noise of a big city., 4-She always tries to poke her nose into other people's business., 5-He felt like a misfit at the formal dinner party., 6-Despite all the advice, he was stubborn and did what he wanted., 7-She felt very intimidated during the interview., 8-Despite his success, he is humble., 9-He decided to dive into the project immediately., 10-She toyed with the idea of starting a business but didn't take it seriously.

C: 1-"Sedí mucha na stene", she learnt it from her children, 2-Zuzana Caputova, she was the first woman president and carried herself with dignity, 3-"divine", to make it easier when booking a taxi, 4-both are little big cities with cozy vibes, 5-Through friends, food, and behaviour, 6-Meeting interesting people and talking about interesting topics.

