

Odcinek nr 85 - What is he like?

Nowe słownictwo:

as...as... - tak... jak..., tak samo...
black - czarny
brown - brązowy
eyes - oczy
size - rozmiar
colour (BrE) = color (AmE) - kolor
humour (BrE) = humor (AmE) - humor
What is he like? - Jaki on jest? (Jaki ma charakter?)
character - charakter
confident - pewny siebie
positive - pozytywny
brave - odważny
honest - uczciwy
an option - opcja, możliwość
which - który
it might sound - to może zabrzmieć
a list - lista
a need - potrzeba

Morning, Paweł! Hey, Mistrzu Językowy!

Hello everybody!

How's it going, man?

Haha! You speak like a native speaker.

Thanks, Paweł! Nice to hear that.

Well... You're dating a native speaker. That makes sense.

Haha.

Great. So, yesterday, you told me what James looks like and how he looks.

Yeah.

Dear listener, do you remember what Sonia said. How does he look?



James is pretty handsome.

Yeah. And what does he look like?



He is tall.

Sonia, is James as tall as me?

What does it mean? Tak wysoki jak Ty?

Yep! 'As... as...' - 'tak... jak...'

No, he is taller than you.

Dear listener, please, translate: Tamta książka nie jest tak interesująca jak ta.



That book is not as interesting as this one.

Awesome! So what else can you tell me, Sonia? What does James look like?

Well... He has short... czarne włosy?

He has short black hair. Or he's got short black hair.

Yeah, and brązowe oczy.

Brown eyes. Brown - brązowe, eyes - oczy.

Dear listener, say: On ma duże brązowe oczy.



He has big brown eyes.

Paweł, could I say 'he has brown big eyes'?

No, first we talk about the size, czyli o rozmiarze, and later about the colors, czyli o kolorze.

All right. First - size, second - color.

Yeah, by the way, in the UK, you'll see more often the words with 'u', for example: 'coloUr', humoUr'. Americans write 'color', 'humor'.

I like that so many English words are so similar to the Polish ones.

Yeah, that's the reason English is really easy.

So, Sonia, now I know what James looks like. What is he like?

'What is he like'? What does it mean?

It's a question about his character. Piszemy to niemal tak samo jak the Polish word 'charakter'. But we pronounce it a bit differently.

Dear listener, repeat after me: Character [karakter].



Character.

Great! So, Sonia, what is James like?

Well... He is very smart, patient and pewny siebie.

How do I say 'pewny siebie'?

Confident.

Confident. This word doesn't sound good in Polish. Konfident. Donosiciel. Haha.

No worries. The word 'confident' is very positive in English.

Ok. I understand. Pozytywne.

Och, and he is very odważny i uczciwy.

Brave and honest. Tak jak w przypadku 'hour' - nie czytamy 'h'. Honest.

Dear listener, say: Czy on jest naprawdę uczciwy?



Is he really honest?

And now: Ona jest odważniejsza ode mnie.



She is braver than me. Is that correct?

Yeah. 'Than me' is very informal but correct, even though it might sound incorrect for some people.

'It might sound' means 'może to brzmieć niepoprawnie'.

So, what should I say?

Basically, you have three options. Czyli masz 3 opcje/ możliwości.

- **She's braver than me.**
- **She's braver than I.**
- **or she's braver than I am.**

Mm... What option should I choose?

It's better if you say 'WHICH option'.

'WHAT option' and 'WHICH option' mean basically the same thing. However, 'WHICH option' wskazuje, że mamy jakiś ograniczony wybór. W tym przypadku three options.

I see. All right.

Dear listener, please, translate: Która sukienka jest ładniejsza?



Which dress is prettier?

And now: Jaki film oglądałaś wczoraj?



What movie did you watch yesterday?

Great. And now: Jaki film chciałabyś obejrzeć - 'Pretty Woman' czy 'Braveheart'?



Which movie would you like to watch, 'Pretty Woman' or 'Braveheart'?

Wonderful!

So, Paweł, which option is better - 'than me', 'than I' or 'than I am'?

Sonia, I gotta go... But let's talk about it next time. Okay?

Sure, no problem!

Dear listener, as you can see, there are many English words that are very similar to the Polish ones. Even though you'll see these words on our list, there is no need to learn them, czyli nie ma potrzeby, żebyś się ich uczył.

No tak, znamy przecież te słowa bez zapamiętywania.

Exactly. Speak to you soon!

Take care!