

# GRAMMAR



**fun**

**exciting**

both

Both languages **are** exciting.

Both Spanish and English **are** exciting.

English?

Yes! English is both exciting and fun.

English or Spanish?

Both! English and Spanish are both exciting and fun.

neither | nor

Neither English nor Spanish **is** exciting.

Neither you nor the rest of my students **are** fun.

Spanish or English?

Neither.

Neither one is fun.

*Neither of these teachers are/is fun.*

either | or

Either English or Spanish **is** exciting.

Either you or your English teachers **are** fun.

Spanish or English?

Either.

Either one is fun.

*Either of these teachers are/is fun.*

extra stuff

I don't speak English.

I speak English.

**Me neither.**

**Me too!**

**Neither do I.**

**So do I.**

as  
adjective  
as

not as  
adjective  
as

too  
adjective

adjective  
enough

as  
adjective  
as

Lilah is as fun as Brian.



not as  
adjective  
as

Lilah is not as fun as Brian.



Lilah is too fun!

adjective  
enough

Brian is fun enough!

English is **not**  
**as** exciting **as**  
Spanish.

English is  
exciting  
**enough**.

English  
is **too**  
exciting.

English is **as**  
exciting **as**  
Spanish.

extra stuff

AS  
**LONG**  
AS

As long as you are  
my teacher, I'll be a  
good student.

extra stuff

AS  
FAR  
AS

As far as **I know**, his  
English is not great.

extra stuff

AS  
FAR  
AS

As far as **I know**, his  
English is not great.

**I can tell**  
**I'm concerned**  
**I can remember**

I walked as far as the mall.

extra stuff

As much as I like  
my job, I won't  
teach anymore.

AS  
MUCH  
AS

I like teaching English as much  
as I like teaching Spanish.



extra stuff

AS  
FEW  
LITTLE  
AS

As few as fifty people  
attended the seminar.

As little as fifty people  
attended the seminar.

extra stuff

As many as fifty  
people attended  
the seminar.

AS  
MANY  
AS

extra stuff

As soon as he  
arrives, let me know.

AS  
SOON  
AS

*ASAP (as soon as possible)*

extra stuff

AS  
WELL  
AS

I think this  
English lesson is  
fun as well as  
exciting.

I speak English as well.

# INTENSIFIERS

Intensifiers  
increase or  
intensify the  
strength of a  
word.

# DOWNTONERS

Downtoners  
decrease or  
weaken a  
word.

**so**

**really**

**very**

**extremely**

**completely**

**absolutely**

English lessons are fun!

**so**

**really**

**very**

**extremely**

**completely**

**absolutely**

English lessons are **so** fun!

so

really

very

extremely

completely

absolutely

English lessons are **really** fun!



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English lessons are **very** fun!

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English lessons are **extremely** fun!

so

really

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extremely

completely

absolutely

English lessons are **completely** fun!

so

really

very

extremely

completely

absolutely

English lessons are **absolutely** fun!

**quite**

**rather**

**fairly**

**slightly**

**pretty**

**kind of**

English lessons are exciting!

quite

rather

fairly

slightly

pretty

kind of

English lessons are **quite** exciting!

quite

rather

fairly

slightly

pretty

kind of

English lessons are **rather** exciting!

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English lessons are **fairly** exciting!



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English lessons are **slightly** exciting!

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English lessons are **kind of** exciting!

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T I M E

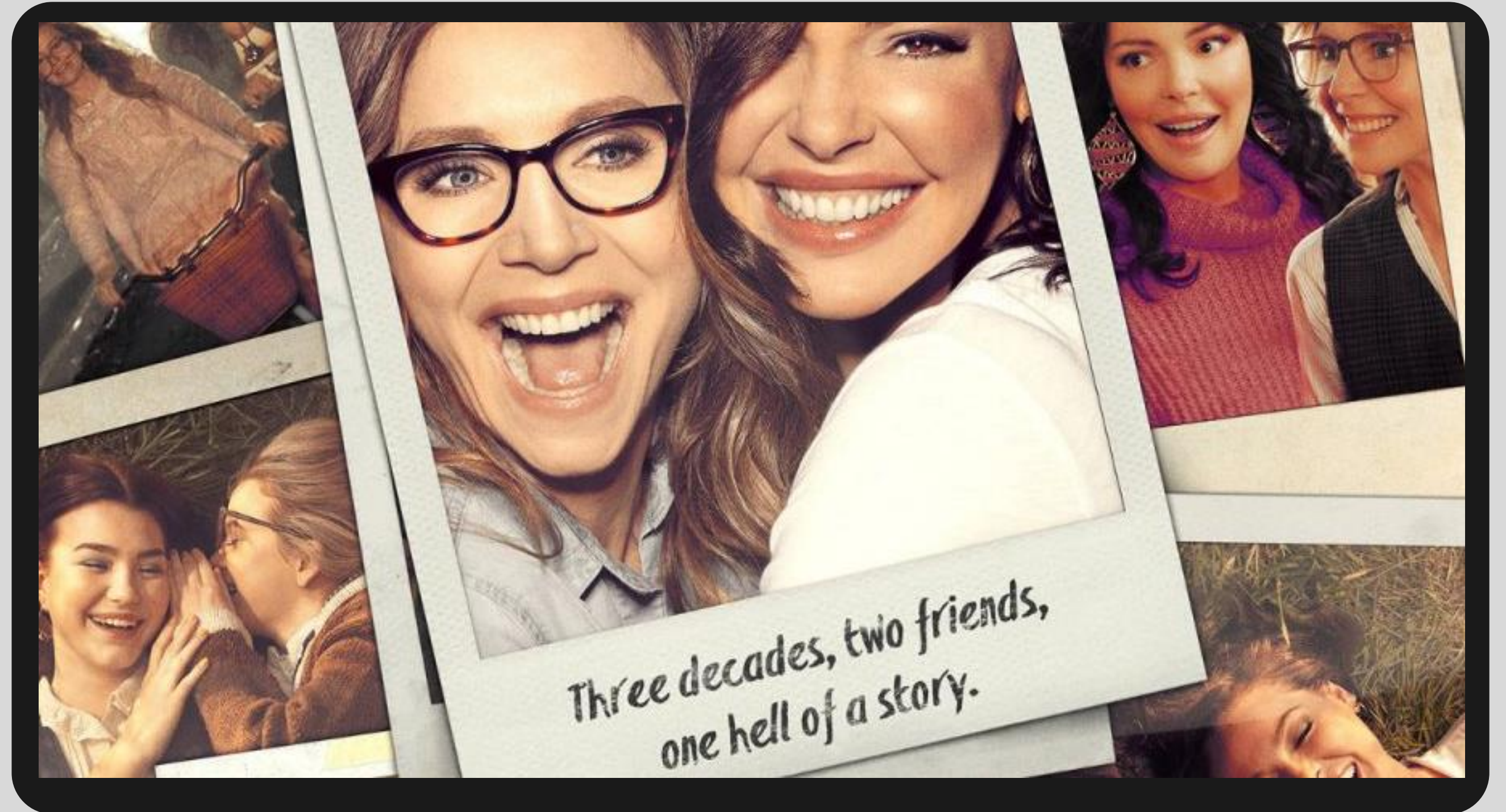


# Let's talk



by  
Kristin  
Hannah

# Firefly lane



**come out**

**closely**

**own**

**personal**

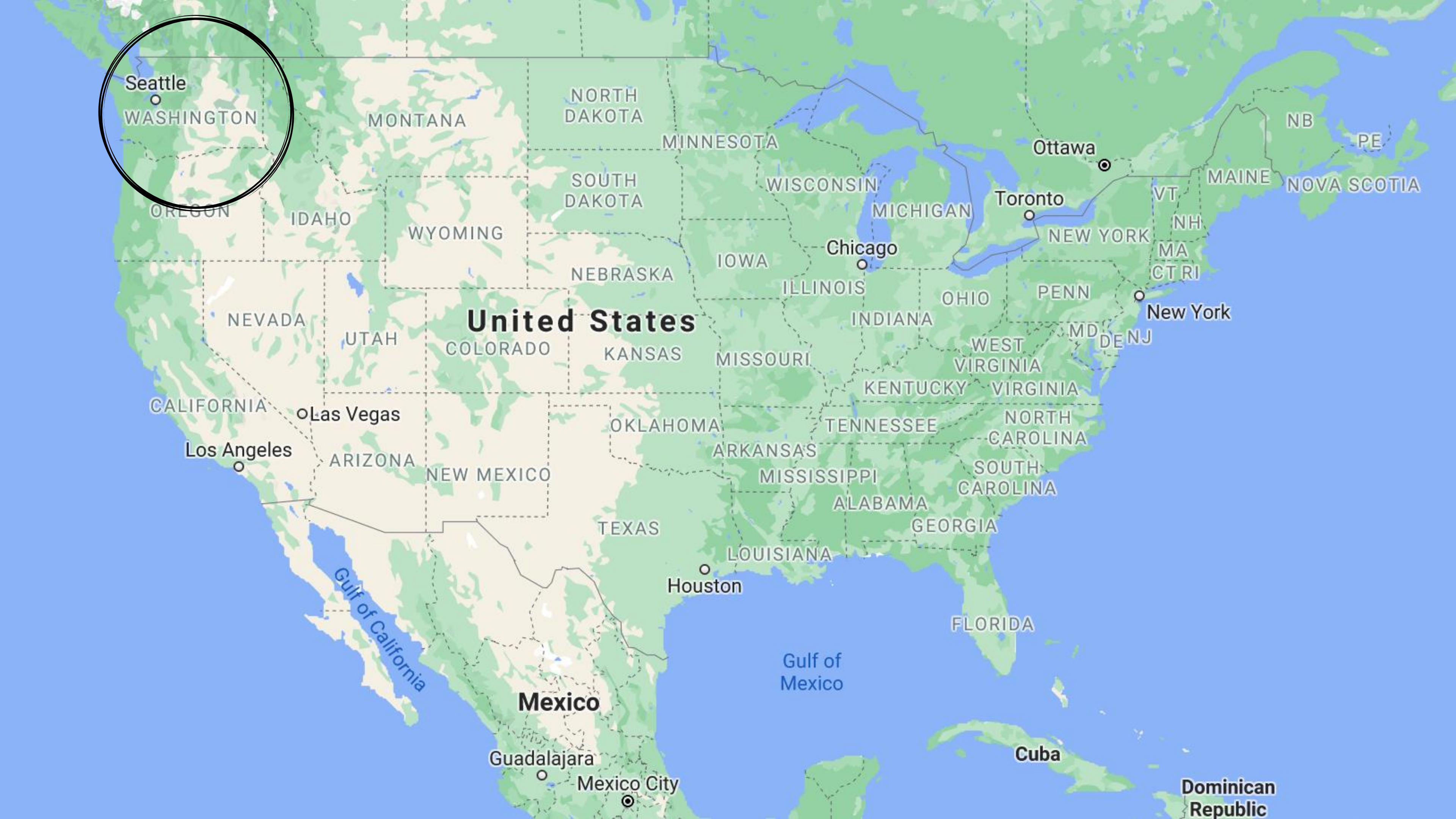
**sort of**

**to mirror**

That one is a Netflix series \_\_\_\_\_ this fall. Firefly  
lane is the book that is most \_\_\_\_\_ to me; it most  
\_\_\_\_\_ my \_\_\_\_\_ life, you know? This  
is two best friends who meet in Snohomish which is where  
I grew up in 1970 and become best friends girls, go to  
the UW together, start in TV news together and  
\_\_\_\_\_ live their whole lives here in Seattle.



That one is a Netflix series coming this fall. Firefly Lane is the book that is most personal to me; it most closely mirrors my own life, you know? This is two best friends who meet in Snohomish which is where I grew up in 1970 and become best friends girls, go to the UW together, start in TV news together and sort of live their whole lives here in Seattle.



Seattle

WASHINGTON

MONTANA

NORTH DAKOTA

MINNESOTA

SOUTH DAKOTA

WISCONSIN

Ottawa

MAINE

NOVA SCOTIA

OREGON

IDAHO

WYOMING

NEBRASKA

IOWA

Chicago

ILLINOIS

OHIO

PENN

Toronto

NEW YORK

VT

NH

MA

CT

RI

United States

NEVADA

UTAH

COLORADO

KANSAS

MISSOURI

INDIANA

WEST VIRGINIA

MD

DE

New York

NJ

CALIFORNIA

Las Vegas

Los Angeles

ARIZONA

NEW MEXICO

OKLAHOMA

ARKANSAS

TENNESSEE

VIRGINIA

NORTH CAROLINA

TEXAS

Houston

LOUISIANA

MISSISSIPPI

ALABAMA

GEORGIA

SOUTH CAROLINA

FLORIDA

Gulf of California

Mexico

Guadalajara

Mexico City

Gulf of Mexico

Cuba

Dominican Republic

**turn down**

**job offer**

**dream job**

**to be well  
on my way**

**weekend**

**weekday**

**great gig**

**tougher**

**fill in**

**anchor**

**TV station**

**insane**

**market**

**competitive**

**better**

**exposure**

Kate: Why didn't you tell me?

Tully: I did, just now. Don't worry, I'm gonna turn it down.

Kate: What? Are you \_\_\_\_\_? You can't \_\_\_\_\_ your dream job.

Tully: It's not my \_\_\_\_\_. I want to be the next Jean Enersen and I \_\_\_\_\_. You know, I'm anchoring on the \_\_\_\_\_ for KPCC, \_\_\_\_\_ during the \_\_\_\_\_, it's a \_\_\_\_\_.

Kate: New York is \_\_\_\_\_.

Tully: New York is \_\_\_\_\_ and more \_\_\_\_\_ and you know, reporter is a step down from weekend \_\_\_\_\_.

Kate: It's a step up. I mean, it's a better \_\_\_\_\_ and more \_\_\_\_\_.

Tully: I'm in a good track here.

Kate: Why didn't you tell me?

Tully: I did, just now. Don't worry, I'm gonna turn it down.

Kate: What? Are you insane? You can't turn down your dream job.

Tully: It's not my dream job. I want to be the next Jean Enersen and I am well on my way. You know, I'm anchoring on the weekends for KPOC, filling in during the weekday, it's a great gig.

Kate: New York is better.

Tully: New York is tougher and more competitive and you know, reporter is a step down from weekend anchor.

Kate: It's a step up. I mean, it's a better market and more exposure.

Tully: I'm in a good track here.

**comfortable**

**serious**

**bartender**

**shot**

**great**

**so**

**enough**

**drunk**

Kate: I know that you're scared and I know that you think that you're not... but you're better than good \_\_\_\_\_. You are \_\_\_\_\_.

Tully: I'm not scared. I just... I don't want to leave. I have a life here. I'm... I'm \_\_\_\_\_.

Kate: Ow!

Tully: Those are some \_\_\_\_\_ hemorrhoids.

Kate: It's not the hemorrhoids... Oh, I think my water just broke.

Tully: Oh, my God! \_\_\_\_\_! Hey! Kate, Kate, I'm \_\_\_\_\_ sorry... You're gonna have to drive. I'm so \_\_\_\_\_.

Kate: Great. I can totally drive.

Tully: Okay. I need to use your phone. It's an emergency. And I'm going to need another \_\_\_\_\_. Also an emergency.



Kate: I know that you're scared and I know that you think that you're not... but you're better than good enough. You are great.

Tully: I'm not scared. I just... I don't want to leave. I have a life here. I'm... I'm comfortable.

Kate: Ow!

Tully: Those are some serious hemorrhoids.

Kate: It's not the hemorrhoids... Oh, I think my water just broke.

Tully: Oh, my God! Bartender! Hey! Kate, Kate, I'm so sorry... You're gonna have to drive. I'm so drunk.

Kate: Great. I can totally drive.

Tully: Okay. I need to use your phone. It's an emergency. And I'm going to need another shot. Also an emergency.

ready to show off!

¡Estás completamente loca!

You're completely insane!

ready to show off!

Este curro es demasiado duro.

This gig is too tough.

ready to show off!

¡Este chupito es súper fuerte!

This shot is really strong!

ready to show off!

Siempre y cuando seas la presentadora,  
estoy cómoda.

As long as you're the anchor, I'm  
comfortable.

ready to show off!

Rechazaré la oferta de trabajo porque no soy lo suficientemente competitiva.

I will turn down the job offer because I'm not competitive enough.

ready to show off!

En cuanto puedas dile al camarero que soy bastante divertida.

As soon as you can, tell the bartender I'm pretty fun.

ready to show off!

Hasta donde sé, el trabajo de tus  
sueños no es tan emocionante como  
crees.

As far as I know, your dream job is not  
as exciting as you think.



ready to show off!

Me encantan ambos curros.

I love both gigs.

ready to show off!

El profesor ni está borracho ni está mejor.

The teacher is neither drunk nor better.

ready to show off!

O trabajas de lunes a viernes o los  
fines de semana.

Either you work on weekdays or on  
weekends.

T H a n k

Y O U