What should we START doing in this class?

- Discussions based on readings:
  - Talk about written work/poems. Not too much though, I enjoy discussing music and issues.
  - I really like reading and talking about news from Spanish sources (that might not give us an access to from English sources).
  - I think it would be cool if we read a short novel or play in Spanish too
  - read more newspaper articles about the current situation with Latin America/ South American countries. It would be interesting to potentially read an occasional short story that is in response to current events

- Activities as a group:
  - Watching short videos in class so everybody see them at the same time and thoughts are fresh in our minds
  - Watch movies together and without subtitles
  - Share with each other our encounters on the Mixxer
  - I think it would be kind of nice if we did a group Skype session with a Spanish speaker because I am kind of nervous to start Skyping on my own

- Different kinds of topics:
  - More casual conversation topics (pop culture, etc)
  - Talking about more everyday thins (our weekends, interesting activities)
  - I think we should continue to learn about new cultures, customs, etc but conversation may flow better is- even once a week- if we spend 20-30 minutes talking about issues/events/debates of a personal significance. I can say more about these types of things than I can about a song with which I have little personal connection.

- Expand the focus:
  - Examining other countries and their culture.
  - Study places other than Colombia
  - We should also make an effort to expand our horizons beyond just movies and music. I think it would be nice to have conversations about things for which we already have a base understanding about.
  - Good question. I have no idea. Have more native speakers come in.
  - More grammar concepts, but not so many as to hinder the conversation

- Better student participation:
  - I think the students need to do a better job of taking initiative in leading/holding class discussions.
  - As a class, we need to participate more.
What should we STOP doing in this class?

- Being awkward:
  - Awkward silences
  - ?
  - ...
  - For me? personally? stop being timid!
  - Solely speaking about our opinions
  - We need to be asked to interact directly with each other (although I love the smaller groups)
- Miscellaneous:
  - I like everything we do.
  - nothing, I like everything we are doing in class
  - Nothing. The class is fine but I want more conversation
  - I don’t really like talking about songs unless someone brings them in for a specific purpose.
- Speaking in English:
  - Relying on English words. We should use as much Spanish as possible
- Ending late:
  - The only problem I have with this class is that we go over time and then I have to run to work after class.
What should we KEEP doing in this class?

- Incorporate multimedia:
  - Movies!
  - Watching movies; I really like seeing the non-Hollywood perspective.
  - Listening to music.
  - I like the music discussions.
  - keeping talking about music.
  - watching movies.
  - keep discussing music.
  - listening to music.

- Have caffeine:
  - Coffee on Fridays!
  - Coffee!
  - Drinking coffee/tea.
  - Friday coffee/tea.

- Engage with different contexts:
  - keep having outside speakers.
  - go on field trips.
  - talking about different cultures and not just the language.
  - The blogs are a very interesting way of seeing what classmates are interested in, what their projects are.

- Small groups:
  - Talking in small groups before the lesson, giving news/check ins about our day (I love that!)
  - I like small groups at the beginning of class.
  - smaller breakout groups of three people are preferable to the 2 person break out groups. Discussion always feels a bit livelier when have two others to keep it going.

- Learn about Colombia:
  - I like learning about Colombia. I think it would be helpful to learn about the history of the conflict so we could have context for the things we discuss.
  - I also like learning about Colombia and drinking coffee/tea in class.
  - I really love focusing on different aspects of a single country (Colombia).

- Reserve in-class time for discussion:
  - I like listening to the music and watching movies outside of class. I prefer classes that are discussion based and I love music so this is a good format for me.
  - listening to music, watching movies/videos outside of class and begin thinking about them so we are ready to talk about them in class.
What can the teacher do to help you improve as a language learner?

- Focus more on grammar / corrections:
  - Correct me when I make mistakes... the rest is up to me to start speaking more.
  - Have a brief grammar day (por/para, pretérito/imperfecto...)
  - Keep correcting our mistakes.
  - Tell me what I am doing incorrectly

- Provide support:
  - More direction on setting up Skype dates, the technology we use.
  - Continue to be available for questions
  - Recommend books we can read in Spanish that are suitable to our level
  - Suggest more language (technology?) resources. The blog and the Mixxer are AWESOME.

- Challenge us to work harder:
  - Continue forcing us to circumlocute instead of just giving us new words (unless we are really messing up or we really need a certain word ) (you already do this)
  - It is really helpful when you rephrase what we have said/expand it in different ways to help us understand better.

- Always speak Spanish:
  - Speaking English in a Spanish classroom really throws me off.
  - Speak Spanish during the “citas”
What can your classmates do to help you improve as a language learner?

- Actively participate / support each other:
  - Ask each other questions.
  - Speak more! Bring in more things to talk about (thought I know I need to do this as well)
  - continue to talk in class, have insightful conversations with each other
  - Keep improving. We all will be pushed to get better if everyone has *las ganas*.
  - The same...to make corrections, but I think we have all been a little quiet, but that is out of my control.
  - Keep talking, keep making mistakes
  - challenge more, question more...while being polite of course!
  - Speak to your classmates, not the professor
  - More responding and improving upon each others comments so we are asked to really listen to and directly interact with our classmates in Spanish
  - More comments and more writing on the blog. I feel like I write but no one reads it and there what I say isn't important
  - Continue to ask questions, so we can all learn together

- Speak only in Spanish:
  - Avoid using English.
  - talking in Spanish
  - As long as we all keep talking in Spanish, I'm good

Additional comments...

- I LOVE THIS CLASS!
- I really am enjoying this class and its atmosphere
- I really like the structure of this class.