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## Episode 44 - Basketball

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You are listening to the Viloria.com Pinoy Podcast, your online source of Tagalog lessons and stories from the Philippines. Hi! I'm Manuel Viloria, and welcome to Episode 44. Today is Thursday, the 28th of January 2010, and this episode is entitled "Basketball", and covers Tagalog words and phrases related to one of the most popular national sports in the Philippines.

Steve from Australia asks about Tagalog terms related to basketball.

According to Wikipedia, basketball was brought to the Philippines by the YMCA of the United States way back in 1900.

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Basketball\\_in\\_the\\_Philippines](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Basketball_in_the_Philippines)

No wonder there are no Tagalog phrases for the different terms in basketball. What we have instead, is a kind of "Filipino-English." If you have American English, or British English, you also have Filipino or Pinoy-English.

It sounds like American English, except that some consonants are not pronounced that clearly. Some letters are substituted or even switched. You have P's and F's, B's and V's, E's and I's, and others.

### Here are some examples of Pinoy English:

Fast break - pas breyk  
Double dribble - dobol dribol  
Traveling - trabeling  
Foul - pawul  
Defense - depensa  
Drive - drayb  
Keep on driving - drayb nang drayb  
Lay up - ley ap  
Shoot - shoot *or* tira  
Pass - pasa  
Dunk - dank



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### Here are examples of Tagalog:

My friend or my peer - pare (*from* kumpare) | pre, tol (*short for* utol), bro  
Rimless - swak *or* swak na swak (for emphasis)  
Basketball hits the edge of the board - patay ang butiki (the lizard died)  
Ball - bola  
No one's cheating, everything is fair - bilog ang bola (the ball is round)  
Pass the ball - ipasa ang bola  
Block the ball - supalpalin mo!  
His shot got blocked - nasupalpal siya! *or* Supalpal!

### Philippine Stories / Trivia

**May Bukas Pa** ("There Is Still Tomorrow") is a popular TV show that airs on weeknights from around 7:45pm to 8:30pm on ABS-CBN (Channel 2) in the Philippines.

Please see [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/May\\_Bukas\\_Pa](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/May_Bukas_Pa)

The main character, Santino (played by Zaijan Jaranilla) develops a close relationship with Jesus Christ, whom he affectionately calls "Bro."

That's why you'll often hear Pinoys say **bro** instead of **pare**.

And that's it for this basketball episode of the Viloriam.com Pinoy Podcast. For the show notes, please visit <http://www.viloria.com/podcast>

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