

Meet the Translator - Podcast Introduction

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Dot Roberts:

Hi there and welcome to Meet the Translator! My name is Dot Roberts and I will be the podcast host. I decided to make a podcast which is something I've never done before but, hey, let's just see how it goes and have fun with it.

This is just a short introduction to give you an idea of what to expect in the podcast series and to introduce myself a bit.

In this series, we'll be talking to a different translator every episode; getting to know them, hearing their story, and covering a variety of topics relating to translation.

If you are new to the industry or keen to follow the path of becoming a translator, then listen along to the podcast and, hopefully, we can learn lots of new things together.

If you are a more experienced translator, then this should be a great way to learn more about your translator colleagues and, perhaps, even share some of your wisdom with us.

I'm actually relying on your involvement a lot because this journey would be no fun at all without you all. So, please do get in touch, ask questions, share stories, and let me know if you enjoy the podcast.

So, you're probably wondering who I am. My name is Dot, I'm British, I'm based in Manchester in the North of England, but I actually grew up in the South. I've been working as a freelance translator for nearly two years now; translating German and Dutch into English. I'm still enjoying working on a variety of projects but I've been doing a lot of audiovisual translation lately and I'm really loving that, so it's definitely become a specialism.

I work from home and, in between translation projects, I love chatting away with other translators - mostly via Zoom at the moment - as well as getting creative with a craft project, or doing some yoga to clear the mind.

I won't go on any longer about myself but, if you do want to find out more about me, then feel free to take a look at my website: www.dotrobertstranslation.com, or find me on LinkedIn at Dot Roberts MA, or Instagram @DotRobertsTranslation. You're also more than welcome to send me a message. As I mentioned before, I love a good chat.

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The Meet the Translator podcast series will start by taking a look at the typical path to becoming a translator; giving an insight into how to get into the industry, and sharing some of our stories.

Later down the line, I plan to go into more detail on specialisms and specific areas of translation with translators who are experienced in their fields.

In Episode 1, I will be chatting to fellow freelance translator, Chris Drew, about our experience studying a Master's in Translation. We'll talk about our key take-aways, the aspects we found most valuable, the things we found easy or difficult, and things that we wish the Master's had taught us but didn't.

If you have any questions about the topic or you'd like to share your own experience with us, then please send an email to meetthetranslator@gmail.com. We look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you so much for listening to this introduction. I cannot wait to get started on the podcast series and I'm really excited to have you on this journey with me.

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