SPANISH GRAMMAR

































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Meanings and abbreviations

Conjugate

Putting the verb into a tense and changing it so it agrees wih the verb subject.

Subject

The person, place or thing doing the action of the verb.

NMS

A masculine singular noun

NMP

A masculine plural noun

NFS

A feminine singular noun

NMP

A feminine plural noun



Denotes that the task contains and irregular verb

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Nouns

Rule

Nouns in Spanish can be masculine or feminine in a grammatical sense. It is strange but that is how it is. An adjective or article (see articles box) that go with a noun must agree with it. A masculine noun requires a masculine adjective or article.

Most masculine nouns end with an 0 and feminine with an A. Although there are lots of exceptions, we will focus on the general O and A ending nouns in this section.

Nouns can also be singular or plural. *La manzana* (apple) is singular but *las uvas* (grapes) is plural. You can tell because of the article and the s at the end

There are lots of nouns. Thousands. Maybe even millions. You will need to be adept at using a dictionary and recognising the gender and number of them.

Articles

Nouns come with articles. These are either definite articles (the) or indefinite articles (a/an).

la

las

The

Masculine singula Masculine plural Feminine singular Feminine plural

A or An

Masculine singula Masculine plural Feminine singular un unos una

unas

Practice

Decide if the nouns below are NMS, NMP, NFS or NFP and translate them into English. Check back to the list of abbreviations if you have forgotten them.

La gente	
Los móviles	
El chico	
Las sillas	
Los ríos	
La llave	
El español	
Las ciencias	
El hermanastro	

You will now need to use a dictionary to find the meaning of the nouns in pink and write the correct article before it.

The dog
A horse
Some books
A television
The internet
The waiters (masculine)
The people
A shoe



Find out about

Which team is the most successful in Spanish history?

Adjectives

Rule

must agree in number and gender with the noun

to gender and number. **Generoso** is a MS noun as it ends with an **0.** It would change to **generosos** in

MS	MP	FS	FP
	ORES	ORA	ORAS

confident with nouns first. If you didn't know that **un libro**

Note

James es un **buen** amigo (James is a good friend) Jess es un **mal** amiga (Jess is a bad friend) Es en una **gran** casa (It is a big house)

Practice

Decide if the adjectives below are MS, MP,
FS or FP or can apply to several categories
Check back to the list of abbreviations if
you have forgotten them.

Felices	
Contento	
Altas	
Complicadas	
Fácil	
Trabajador	
Ambiciosa	
Optimistas	
Generoso	

Translate the adjective in pink into Spanish making sure it agrees in gender and number with the subject.

los gatos cute
la historia interesting
los examenes easy
la téle boring
el fútbol exciting
el café addictive
los libros expensive
los coches fast



Opinions

Rule

Asking for opinions is a part and parce of the GCSE course but is also essentia in everyday conversation.

We will concentrate on verbs like **me gusta** in this section.

me gusta is a basic opinion which means I like. When using an opinior like me gusta it is important that if the thing you like is plural then me gusta changes to **me gustan.**

How do you know if the thing (noun) you like is plural? Go to the nouns page and review the articles that precede them to refresh your memory.

Note

In real life you will have to refer to other people's opinions and ask questions. Opinion verbs still end with an **n** if the noun is plural.

(Do) you like? ¿Te gusta(n)?

She or he likes Le gusta(n)

They like **Les gusta(n)**

We like **Nos gusta(n)**

You all like os gusta(n)

Practice

Match the S	panish	opinion	with	the	English
counterpart	in the	box belo	ow.		

- 1. Me aburre
- 2. Me fastidia
- 3. Me encanta
- 4. Me interesa
- 5. Me emociona
- 5. Ine emotion
- 6. Me flipa
- 7. Me preocupa
- 8. Me enloquece
- 9. Me entristece
- 10. Me estresa
- -- -- --
- 11. Me fascina

- a. Stresses me
- b. Interests me
- c. Saddens me
- d. Worries me
- e. Fascinates me
- f. Drives me mad
- g. Bores me
- h. Angers me
- i. Hove
- i. Excites me
- k I'm mad about

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

2	Remember that if the thing you're talking about is plural you add an n to the opinion.
	Write the correct opinion in each box below
	addina an n if necessary.

los gatos I love cats
la historia History interests you
los examenes Exams worry hir
la téle TV bores hem
el fútbol Football excites me
el café coffee stresses you out
los libros books interest them
los coches I'm mad about cars



Find out about

If a Spaniard says something es la leche, what do they mean?

The present

Rule

Step 1: Remove the ending (ar, er, ir).

Step 2: Add:

ar verbs

I - o We - amos You - as You all - ais He or she - a They - an

er verbs

l - o We - emos You - es You all - eí He or she - e They - en

ir verbs

I - o You - es He or she - e Precede the present with one of these

Normalmente
De vez en cuando
Raramente

Now and again

*Irregulars

The list below features the most common occurrences of irregulars and their first person conjugation.

Hacer Tener Poder Ir hago tengo puedo

El hombre **beber** agua

Nosotros **montar** en bicicleta

Soy Estar Querer Ver

estoy quiero

veo

Practice

Translate the following verbs into Spanish. The infinitives are given to help.

Comprar Ganar Pasar Invitar	We buy They win I spend She invites	
Insistir Prohibir Recibir Subir	You all insist You ban He receives I upload	
Comer Conoce Volver Merecer	You all eat He knows We return You deserve	

In each sentence conjugate the infinitive verb so that it agrees with the subject.

Los niños jugar al rugby La mujer leer un libro El equipo ganar el partido	
Nosotros usar el móvil Yo tener un hermano Tú desayunar fruta Vosotros estudiar en casa	
El gato beber la leche Yo celebarar mi cumpleaños Ellas hablar a menudo	



Find out about

Where is the paella said to originate from?

Reflexive verbs

Rule

present tense but you will need to add a pronoun **before** the conjugated verb which

Pronouns

Me lavo Te duchas

Se maquilla

Note

When using an infinitive structure and a

Quiero bañarme = me quiero bañar Quieres ducharte = te quieres duchar **Quiere levantarse =** se quiere levantar

Practice

In the box provided conjugate the verb. It must agree with the subject. Remember, the pronoun comes before the verb.

Cuidarse Lavarse Preguntarse Casarse	You take care He washes I wonder They marry	
Ducharse Estirarse Ponerse Levantarse	You shower We stretch He puts on They get up	
Llamarse Cepillarse Olvidarse	I am called He brushes We forget	

Complete the sentences using a reflexive verb.

Mis padres de la mañana.	levantarse a las seis
Yo	estirarse antes de correr.
Mi hermana ocho de la mañana	levantarse a las
Yo de bañarme.	cepillarse los dientes después
La pareja	casarse en la iglesia.



Find out about The racquet called padel

The preterite

Rule

Use the preterite to make reference to something which started and finished at a specific time in the past.

Step 1: Remove the ending (ar, er, ir).

Step 2: Add:

ar verbs

You - aste

We - amos You all - asteis They - aron

er and ir verbs

| - í

You - iste He or she - ió We - imos You all - isteis They - jeron Precede the past with one of these

El año pasado Recientemente Ayer

Last year Recently Yesterday

*Irregulars

The list below features the most common occurrences of irregulars and their first person conjugation.

Hacer Tener Poder Ir

hice tuve pude fui Ser Estar Querer Ver

tui estuve quise

Practice

Translate the following verbs into Spanish. The infinitives are given to help.

Comprar Ganar Pasar Invitar We bought They won I spent She invited

Insistir Prohibir Recibir * Hacer You all insisted You banned He received I made

Comer

* Ir Volver Merecer You all ate I went

We returned You deserved In each sentence conjugate the infinitive verb so that it agrees with the subject.

El hombre **beber** agua

* Yo **hacer** los deberes
La mujer **leer** un libro
El equipo **ganar** el partido

Nosotros **usar** el móvil

Yo ir al cine con mi amigo Tú desayunar fruta Vosotros estudiar en casa

El gato **beber** la leche Yo **celebarar** mi cumpleaños Ellas **hablar** a menudo Nosotros **montar** en bicicleta



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La tortilla de patatas

The future

Rule

Step 1: Keep the ending on (ar, er, ir).

Step 2: Add the endings.

Precede the future with one of these:

El año que viene Mañana

La semana que viene Next week

*Irregulars

Hacer

Tener

Poder Salir

Practice

Translate the following verbs into Spanish. The infinitives are given to help.

Comprar Ganar Pasar

Invitar

Insistir **Prohibir** Recibir

* Hacer

Comer ***** Tener Volver Merecer We will buy They will win I will spend She will invite

You will insist She will ban He will receive L will do

You all will eat I will have

We will return I will deserve

In each sentence conjugate the infinitive verb so that it agrees with the subject.

El hombre **beber** aqua

* Yo **hacer** los deberes La mujer **leer** un libro El equipo **ganar** el partido

Nosotros **usar** el móvil Yo *ir* al cine con mi amigo Tú **desayunar** fruta

Vosotros **estudiar** en casa

El gato **beber** la leche Yo **celebarar** mi cumpleaños Fllas **hablar** a menudo Nosotros **montar** en bicicleta



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Comparatives

Rule

Use a comparative to compare two things. You can compare nouns or verbs. You might say that cats are better than dogs or that running is more tiring than cycling. You can use comparatives across all topics.

Noun 1 es **más** adjective **que** Noun 2 Verb 1 es **menos** adjective **que** Verb 2 Noun 1 es **tan** adjective **como** Noun 2

If you want to compare two nouns which are plural then you will need to make sure your verbs and adjectives

agree. Look at what changes in the two examples below.

El gato **es más** mono **que** el perro Los gatos **son más** monos **que** los perros

Careful

To say something is better or worse than something else you cannot say más bueno or más malo.

Mejor means better.

Peor means worse.

Noun 1 es **mejor que** Noun 2 Noun 1 es **peor que** Noun 2

Practice

Fill the gap with either más, menos, mejor or peor according to your opinion. Only four options require a mejor or peor.

La historia es _	fácil como la geografía
Londres es	grande que Bristol
Mi madre es _	alta que mi padre
Yo soy	rápido/a que mi amigo
España es	que Inglaterra
Dominos es _	que McDonalds
Samsung es_	que Apple
Nike es	_ que Addidas

Food
Sports person
Drinks
Films
Family
Friends
Books
Cities
Singers
Famous people
Apps

For each category below write a



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Superlatives

Rule

Use a superlative to say something is the most amazing, the least effective, the best or the worst.

The most

NMS 1 es **el más** agreeing adjective NMP 1 son **los más** agreeing adjective NFS 1 es **la más** agreeing adjective NFP 1 son **las más** agreeing adjective

The least

NMS 1 es **el menos** agreeing adjective NMP 1 son **los menos** agreeing adjective NFS 1 es **la menos** agreeing adjective NFP 1 son **las menos** agreeing adjective Just like you did when using comparatives it's important that your adjectives agree!

Careful

To say something is the best or the worst you cannot say *el más buenc* or any variants of that.

NMS 1 es el mejor/peor NMP 1 son los mejores/peores NFS 1 es la mejor/peor NFP 1 son las mejores/peores

Practice

Fill in the gap with the missing words (listed above in rules) according to the gender and number of each noun.

La historia es	interesante the most
El español es	difícil the least
Las ciencias son	utiles the most
Las matemáticas son	duras the leas
KFC essabro	oso the most
Harry Potter es	valiente the most
Chepstow es	histórico the most
Los libros son	caros the least
Mi amiga es	rápida the most
Mi profesora es	creativa the most

4	For each noun below write a superlative		
4	sentence. Try to include a mejor or peor		
	sentence.		

Li tologio
La fruta
El té
Donald Trump
Los libros
El rugby
El fútbol
El arte
Tu pueblo
Tu hermano/a
Tu padre



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Moorish architecture in Spain

El colonio

The conditional

Rule

conditional tense itself as well as

Step 1: Keep the ending on (ar, er, ir).

Step 2: Add conditional endings.

Precede the conditional with one of these:

Si tuviera If i had + noun

Si fuera If i were + adjective

Si pudiera If I could + infinitive verb

*Irregulars

Hacer Tener Poder

Salir

Practice

Translate the following verbs into Spanish. The infinitives are given to help.

Comprar Ganar Pasar Invitar

We would buy They would win I would spend She would invite

Insistir **Prohibir** Recibir

You would insist She would ban He would receive I would go out

* Salir

You all would eat I would do

***** Hacer Volver Merecer

Comer

We would return I would deserve

In each sentence conjugate the infinitive verb so that it agrees with the subject.

El hombre **beber** aqua

* Yo **hacer** los deberes La mujer **leer** un libro El equipo **ganar** el partido

Nosotros **usar** el móvil Yo *ir* al cine con mi amigo

Tú **desayunar** fruta Vosotros **estudiar** en casa

El gato **beber** la leche Yo **celebarar** mi cumpleaños

Fllas **hablar** a menudo Nosotros **montar** en bicicleta



Find out about The origin of the word tapas

Infinitive structures

Rule

An infinitive structure includes a first

I want (first person) to go (inf) to KFC

dictionary. They end with ar, er or ir.

Careful

Playing football is fun jugar al fútbol es divertido Eating greens is healthy comer verduras es sano Sunbathing is relaxing tomar al sol es relajante Studying is essential estudiar es esencial

Practice

Match the first person verbs with their **English counterpart.**

- 1. Ouiero
- 2. Espero
- 3. Me gusta
- 4. Se puede
- 5. Trato de
- 6. Decidí
- 7. Intentaremos
- 8. Puedo
- 9. Suelo
- 10. Ouería
- Solía 11.

- a. I can
- b. I decided
- c. I try to
- d. I used to
- e. We will try
- f. One can
- g. I usually
- h. I wanted to
- i. I want
- i. I like
- k. I hope

	Now combine a first person verb with
	an infinitive to form a simple sentence.

KFC I want to eat KFC
el inglés I usually study English
a Egipto I want to go to Egypt
al fútbol I hope to play football
enviar fotos One can send photos
el té I wanted to drink tea
mucho I used to read a lot
Italiano I can speak italian



Find out about

Who is the famous architect who designed La Sagrada Familia?

The imperfect

Rule

Use the imperfect to refer to a repeated action in the past, something you used to do or what you were doing when you were interrupted by something else.

Step 1: Remove the ending (ar, er, ir).

Step 2: Add:

ar verbs

I - aba We - ábamos You - abas You all - abais He or she - aba They - aban

er and ir verbs

Precede the imperfect with one of these

Cuando era jóven En el pasado Hace muchos años

When I was young In the past Years ago

*Irregulars

The list below features the most common occurrences of irregulars and their first person conjugation.

Ir iba Ser era Ver veío

It's common to use *used to* when using the imperfect but you can also use *would* (when I was ten I would play football every day in the park) or neither!

Practice

In the box provided conjugate the verb. It must agree with the subject.

Comer Correr Estudiar Intentar I used to eat
He used to run
We studied
They used to try

Jugar

≭ Ir Escribir **≭** Ver

Hacer Usar Vivir We used to play
I used to go
She used to write

I used to see

You all used to do _____ He used to use You used to live Complete the sentences using a verb in the imperfect tense.

ndo era jóven s los días con mi padre en el p	jugar al fútbol arque.
l pasado mi madre acaciones a Egipto.	 querer i
e muchos años yo nis amigos cada día.	ir a casa
os años 90 la gente es de pelo muy diferentes.	tener

En los años 80 mi padre **escuchar** la música rock, le gustaba mucho Motorhead.



Find out about

The new year countdown and grapes

Present Perfect

Rule

Use the present perfect to refer to actions which have happened in the recent past.

Step 1: Correct form of verb haber.

I have
You have
He or she has
We have
You all have
They are

he
he
has
ha
ha
habeis

Step 2: Add verb. Remove ending (ar, er, ir)

ar verbs + ado

er and ir verbs

+ idc

Precede the present perfect with one of these:

Hoy Today
Este mes This month
Esta semana This week

*Irregulars

El hombre **beber** aqua

The verb ending with ado or ido is called a past participle (PP). Some PPs are irregular.

HacerhechoVervistoEscribirescritoAbrirabiertoDecirdichoPonerpuestoIridoDescubrirdescubierto

Practice

In the box provided conjugate the verb. It must agree with the subject.

Comer
Correr
He has run
We have studied
Intentar

We have tried

Jugar
Ir
I have been

* Escribir
Ver
I have seen

* Hacer Usar Vivir You have made
He has used
I have lived

In the space provided conjugate the verb in pink according to the subject.

* Yo hacer los deberes
La mujer leer un libro
El equipo ganar el partido

Nosotros usar el móvil
Yo ir al cine con mi amigo
Tú desayunar fruta
Vosotros estudiar en casa

El gato beber la leche
Yo celebarar mi cumpleaños
Ellas hablar a menudo
Nosotros montar en bicicleta



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Famous authors who have lived in Spain

The subjunctive

Rule

You must precede a subjunctive verb with a subjunctive trigger (on the right). To form the subjunctive verb, follow the steps below.

Step 1: Remove the ending (ar, er, ir).

Step 2: Add:

ar verbs

I - e We - emo You - es You all - ei He or she - e They - en

er and ir verbs

Here are the steps to form a simple opinion trigger

Es + adjective + que + subjunctive verb

Practise your triggers in exercise 1

*Irregulars

The list below features the most common occurrences of irregulars and their first person conjugation.

HacerhagaHaberhayaTenertengaSabersepaSoyseaLlegarllegueIrvayaSacarsaque

Practice

Complete the trigger by translating the adjective into Spanish in the space.

Es	qu	Je interestin
Es	qu	Je strange
Es	qu	ue good
Es	qu	ue bad
Es	qı	ue incredible
Es	qu	ue horrible
Es	qı	Je amazing
Es	qu	ue ridiculous
Es	qı	Je fantastic
Es	qu	ue clear
Es	qu	Je suspicious
Es	qu	Je dever

2 Change the verb into the subjunctive. It must agree with the given subject.

Es bueno que el hombre beber agua

Es fántastico que yo hacer los deberes
Es interesante que la mujer leer un libro
Es malo que el equipo ganar el partido
Es curioso que nosotros usar el móvil

Es increíble que yo ir al cine
Es bueno que tú desayunar fruta
Es fántastico que nosotros estudiar
Es mono que el gato beber la leche
Es bueno que yo celebrar
Es sospechoso que ellas hablar
Es bueno que nosotros montar en bici



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Present Continuous

Rule

Use the present continuous to refer to an ongoing action.

Step 1: Correct form of verb estar.

I am
You are
He or she is
We are
You all are
They are
You are

Step 2: Add verb. Remove ending (ar, er, ir)

ar verbs

er and ir verbs

+ iendo

Comer

If you're describing a photo, start with some conjecture to vary your sentence starters.

Supongo que Diría que Que yo sepa

I suppose
I would say that
As far as I know

Note

Although it sounds counter-intuitive. Use an infinitive verb rather than a gerund (ing verb) when you want to say things like watching football is boring.

Cocinar es guay Compartir es generoso Me gusta hablar Cooking is coo Sharing is kind I like talking

Practice

Conjugate the verb paying attention to the subject (and thus the correct form of estar).

I am eating

Correr He is running Estudiar We are studying Intentar They are trying Juaar We are playing Beber I am drinking Escribir She is writing Crear I am creating Hacer You all are doing Usar He is usina Vivir You are living

Change the verb in pink in each sentence to the present continuous. You must include both parts of the verb (estar + gerund).

El hombre beber agua Yo hacer los deberes La mujer comprar un libro El equipo ganar el partido	
Nosotros usar el móvil Yo visitar mi abuela Tú desayunar fruta Vosotros estudiar en casa	
El gato beber la leche Yo celebarar mi cumpleaños	



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Caga Tió and a Catalan christmas tradition

Direct Object Pronouns

Rule

Direct Object Pronouns (DOPs) replace objects in sentence. An object is the answer to the question who or what.

"I bought the book in Waterstones, the book was £10. I think the book will be better than the last book I bought."

In the sentence above the book can be replaced by the word **it** and that is a DOP.

Direct Object Pronouns

Me - me You - te He, she or it - lo/la We - nos You all - os

They - los/las

In white below the sentence is without a DOP and ir pink the noun is replaced by a DOP.

Compro el libro *Lo compro* Saco una foto *La saco*

Note

DOPs have to agree in number and gender with the noun (see examples above). They generally come before the verb as well (as above).

In *infinitive structure* sentences they can attach to the end of the infinitive verb

Quiero comprarlo = lo quiero comprar
Quieres comerlas = la quiere estudiar

Practice

Replace the object in each sentence with a DOP. Remember an object is the answer to the question who or what.

Siempre como las uvas

Mi padre lleva gafas

Mi gato bebe la leche

Visito a mis abuelos

Los lunes estudio la historia

Miguel compra un libro

Mis tíos tienen un perro

Voy a comer una pizza

Suelo escuchar música

No tengo mi móvil

Read each sentence and decide if the DOP placement is correct or incorrect

El hombre lo bebe
Yo hago los
La mujer lee lo
El equipo lo gana
Nosotros lo usamos
Yo visito la
Tú desayunas la
Nosotros lo estudiamos
El gato la bebe
Yo celebro lo
Ellas lo tienen
Nosotros la estudio



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