

El presente perfecto

Regular

▽ Do not let the name confuse you. We use present perfect conjugations to talk about actions that people **"have done"** in the past.

Conjugation:

1- Identify who **has done** the action (Yo, tú, él, ella, nosotros, ustedes, ellas... etc)

2- Use the appropriate conjugation of the auxiliary verb **haber**

(auxiliary* verb) Haber			
yo	he	nosotros	hemos
tú	has	vosotros	habéis
él, ella, usted	ha	ellos, ellas, ustedes	han

3- Change the ending of the verb in question to either **-ado** (-ar verbs) or **-ido** (-er/ir verbs)

Ending for regular Verbs							
-ar endings				-er / -ir endings			
yo	-ado	nosotros	-ado	yo	-ido	nosotros	-ido
tú	-ado	vosotros	-ado	tú	-ido	vosotros	-ido
él, ella, usted	-ado	ellos, ellas, ustedes	-ado	él, ella, usted	-ido	ellos, ellas, ustedes	-ido



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Example: **I have studied Spanish for 3 years.**

Yo **he** estudi**ado** español por 3 años.

***Auxiliary verb:** More common in English than in Spanish.

In the sentence "Do you speak Spanish?" the word "do" is a verb, and so is the word "speak." The word do, is just helping us ask whether someone speaks Spanish, it is our auxiliary verb in the sentence. "speak" is the main verb.

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Irregulares

- ▽ These are some of the most useful verbs that do not follow the rule (ar= **ado** ; er/ir = **ido**).
- ▽ You still need to use the right conjugation of the auxiliary verb **haber**
- ▽ Please notice all the conjugations of these irregular verbs are the same for all pronouns.

English verb	Spanish verb	Present perfect form (past participle)
open	abrir	abierto
cover	cubrir	descubierto
say/tell	decir	dicho
write	escribir	escrito
do/make	hacer	hecho
die	morir	muerto
put	poner	puesto
break	romper	roto
see	ver	visto
return	volver	vuelto



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- ▽ Any other verb that has its roots on these verbs also follows a similar conjugation.
Examples:

cubrir = **cubierto** ; descubrir = **descubierto** /// poner = **puesto** ; componer = **compuesto**

- ▽ Some -er and -ir verbs with an **a** or an **e** before the ending (2 vowels endings) need an accent mark and become **-ído**.

leer	leído
caer	caído
sonreír	sonreído
oír	oído