

REGULAR VERBS: PART III

Notes:

- 1. The written lesson is below.
- 2. Links to quizzes, tests, etc. are to the left.

Here's the complete list of Spanish subject pronouns.

Singular

yo

tú

usted

él

ella

Plural

nosotros/as

vosotros/as

ustedes

ellos

ellas

To conjugate -ar verbs, drop the ending and add:

- -0
- -as
- -a
- -amos
- -áis
- -an

To conjugate -er verbs, drop the ending and add:

- -0
- -es
- -е
- -emos
- -éis
- -en

To conjugate -ir verbs, drop the ending and add:

- -0
- -es
- -е
- -imos
- -ís
- -en

You will benefit greatly by quickly memorizing the three model verbs.

hablar

yo hablo tú hablas él, ella, Ud. habla nosotros/as hablamos vosotros/as habláis ellos, ellas, Uds. hablan

comer

yo como tú comes él, ella, Ud. come nosotros/as comemos vosotros/as coméis ellos, ellas, Uds. comen

vivir

yo **vivo**tú **vives**él, ella, Ud. **vive**nosotros/as **vivimos**vosotros/as **vivís**ellos, ellas, Uds. **viven**

Note: The verb forms are the same for él, ella and Ud. as are the verb forms for ellos, ellas and Uds.

In Spanish the subject pronouns are not always required. This is because the verb endings can indicate who is performing the action.

Hablo español. (Yo is not necessary.) I speak Spanish.

Comemos carne. (Nosotros is not necessary.) We eat meat.

Vives en México. (Tú is not necessary.) You live in Mexico.

Subject pronouns are often used for clarification. For example, the verb form habla is ambiguous.

Ud. habla él habla ella habla

Therefore, to distinguish between "you speak," "he speaks," and "she speaks," it may be necessary to use the subject pronoun. Often, the conversation implies the subject of the verb. In such cases the subject pronoun may be omitted.

Subject pronouns are often used for emphasis.

Ella habla español y yo hablo inglés.

Here there is no ambiguity with respect to hablo. The subject pronoun is merely adding emphasis:

She speaks Spanish and I speak English.

Another example of using subject pronouns for emphasis.

Yo como pan y tú comes arroz.

Once again there is no ambiguity. The pronouns emphasize the contrast.

I eat bread and you eat rice.

It is possible to use two verbs in a row. Just like in English, the first verb is conjugated, while the second verb remains in the infinitive form.

Necesito hablar con Alfredo.

I need to speak with Alfredo. (necesitar, hablar)

Necesito + hablar + con Alfredo. I need + to speak + with Alfredo.

Another example of two verbs used together:

Deseas vivir en España.

You wish to live in Spain. (desear, vivir)

Deseas + vivir + en España. You wish + to live + in Spain.

Hopefully, you have taken our advice and have been creating a special collection of verb flashcards. If not, it's not too late to start. Here is the entire list of cards to this point:

VERB FLASHCARDS

hay

there is, there are

Present Indicative

I speak I do speak I am speaking

hablar (to speak)

hablo	
hablas	
habla	
hablamos	
habláis	
hablan	
comer (to eat)	
como	
comes	
come	
comemos	
coméis	
comen	
vivir (to live)	
vivo	
vives	
vive	
vivimos	
vivís	
. di se u	
viven	

COMMON REGULAR -AR VERBS

alquilar – to rent

entrar (en) – to enter (into)

necesitar - to need

amar – to love

enviar - to send

olvidar – to forget

andar - to walk

escuchar - to listen to

pagar – to pay for

ayudar - to help

esperar – to hope, to wait for

practicar - to practice

bailar - to dance

estudiar – to study

preguntar – to ask

buscar – to look for

firmar - to sign

preparar - to prepare

caminar – to walk

ganar - to win, earn

regresar – to return

cantar - to sing

gastar – to spend money

saludar - to greet

cocinar - to cook

hablar – to speak, to talk

tocar – to touch, to play an instrument

comprar – to buy

lavar - to wash

tomar – to take, to drink

contestar – to answer

Ilegar - to arrive

trabajar – to work

dejar – to allow, to leave

Ilevar – to wear, to carry

viajar – to travel

desear - to desire

mandar – to order

visitar – to visit enseñar – to teach mirar – to watch, to look at

COMMON REGULAR -ER VERBS

aprender – to learn
creer – to believe
poseer – to possess, to own
beber – to drink
deber – to have to, to owe
prometer – to promise
comer – to eat
esconder – to hide
romper – to break
comprender – to understand
leer – to read
temer – to fear
correr – to run
meter en – to put into
vender – to sell

COMMON REGULAR -IR VERBS

abrir – to open

descubrir - to discover

permitir – to permit

admitir - to admit

discutir - to discuss

recibir - to receive

asistir a – to attend

escribir – to write

subir - to climb, to go up

cubrir - to cover

existir - to exist

sufrir – to suffer

decidir - to decide

omitir – to omit

unir – to unite

describir - to describe

partir - to divide

vivir – to live