

Por

Por is used to talk about movement, modes and means of travel and communication, exchanges, duration, motivation, emotion, and substitution.

1. Travel and Communication

- Por** can be used to talk about travel or communication.
- Translations: *by, on, through*
 - **Viajé por Francia y España.** *I traveled through France and Spain.*
 - **La contacté por correo.** *I contacted her by mail.*

2. Exchanges

- Por** is used to talk about exchanges and trades.
- Translation: *for*
 - **Te doy sesenta pesos por la mochila.**
I'll give you sixty pesos for that backpack.



3. Duration

- Por** is used to talk about the length of time an activity went on for.
- Translation: *for*
 - **Estudié por cinco horas.** *I studied for five hours.*

4. Motivation

- Por** is used to talk about motivations or reasons for doing something.
- Translation: *because of*
 - **Por su amor a los niños, quiere ser pediatra.** *Because of her love for children, she wants to be a pediatrician.*

5. Emotion

- Por** is used to indicate the recipient of or cause for an emotional reaction.
- Translations: *for, towards, at, on behalf of*
 - **Tengo tanto amor por ti.** *I have so much love for you.*

6. Substitution

- Por** is used to indicate that someone or something is taking the place of another person or thing.
- Translations: *for, instead of, on behalf of*
 - **Estoy buscando aquel libro por Cecilia.** *I am looking for that book on behalf of Cecilia.*

Para

Para is used to talk about destinations, recipients, deadlines, goals, opinions, and comparisons.

1. Destinations

- Para** is used to indicate the destination or end point of an object or person.
- Translation: *for*
 - **Salgo para Chile mañana.** *I leave for Chile tomorrow.*

2. Recipients

- Para** is used to indicate the intended recipient of a gift, as well as the recipient of a person's work (i.e., their employer).
- Translation: *for*
 - **Este regalo es para Adela.** *This present is for Adela.*
 - **Anita trabaja para la RAE.** *Anita works for the RAE.*



3. Deadlines

- Para** is used to indicate when something is due.
- Translations: *for, by, on*
 - **Necesito la presentación para el viernes.** *I need this presentation by Friday.*

4. Goals

- Para** is used to talk about goals and purposes.
- Translation: *in order to*
 - **Trabaja mucho para ganar más dinero.** *She works a lot in order to make more money.*

5. Opinions

- Para** is used with a pronoun or name to express an opinion.
- Translation: *for, to, according to, in one's opinion*
 - **Para mí, el español es muy romántico.** *In my opinion, Spanish is very romantic.*

6. Comparisons

- Para** is used to compare something or someone to a standard, such as cheapness or speed.
- Translation: *for*
 - **Para ser tan barata, esta hamburguesa es deliciosa.** *For being so cheap, this burger is delicious.*

Useful Phrases with Por and Para

Por Phrase	English
por ejemplo	<i>for example</i>
por favor	<i>please</i>
por supuesto	<i>of course</i>
por ciento	<i>percent</i>
por qué	<i>why</i>
por fin	<i>finally</i>
Gracias por tu ayuda.	<i>Thanks for your help.</i>

Para Phrase	English
para siempre	<i>forever</i>
para variar	<i>just for a change</i>
para que	<i>so that, in order that</i>
para qué	<i>for what reason</i>
para dónde	<i>where to</i>
para ti	<i>for you</i>
para nada	<i>not at all</i>