Español 106 Summary of Stem-Changing Verbs

**Present Indicative (shoe verbs)**

**e > ie o > ue e >i u > ue**

pensar contar pedir jugar

entender costar servir

sentir mover repetir

querer (irreg. pret.) morir vestirse

cerrar dormir seguir

comenzar poder (irreg. pret.) conseguir

empezar llover despedirse

perder acostarse reírse

preferir recordar sonreír

nevar doler desvestirse

sentarse soñar con corregir

divertirse sonar elegir

recomendar encontrar

sugerir volver

mentir rogar PENSAR

despertarse volar **pienso** pensamos

remendar almorzar **piensas** pensáis

probar **piensa piensan**

comprobar

acordarse de

resolver

soler

**Preterite**

Only -IR verbs that stem-change in the present tense stem-change in

the preterite: (**sandal verbs**)

present preterite SENTIR (ie, i)

e > ie e > i sentí sentimos

o > ue o > u sentiste sentisteis

e > i e > i **sintió sintieron**

**Present Participle (-ndo form)**

If a verb stem-changes in the preterite, it has the same stem change

in the present participle:

e > i dormir d**u**rmiendo pedir p**i**diendo

o > u sentir s**i**ntiendo morir m**u**riendo

reírse r**i**éndose repetir rep**i**tiendo

divertirse div**i**rtiéndose seguir s**i**guiendo

**Past Participle (-do form)**

No stem-changes in the past participle. (Lots of irregulars, though)

**Present Subjunctive**

-AR and -ER verbs have the same stem change in the same **shoe**

formation as in the present indicative:

PENSAR VOLVER

**piense** pensemos **vuelva** volvamos

**pienses** penséis **vuelvas** volváis

**piense piensen vuelva vuelvan**

-IR verbs are messier: **(football verbs)**

1. They have the same stem change in the same places

(shoe pattern) a they did in the present indicative.

2. AND in the nosotros & vosotros forms they have the

same stem change they have in the preterite.

MORIR (ue, u) PREFERIR (ie, i)

**muera** m**u**ramos **prefiera** pref**i**ramos

**mueras** m**u**ráis **prefieras** pref**i**ráis

**muera mueran prefiera prefieran**

SERVIR (i,i)

**sirva** s**i**rvamos When present & preterite stem

**sirvas** s**i**rváis changes are bothe e > I, the same

**sirva sirvan**  vowel appears all through the

conjugation.

**Imperfect (past) Subjunctive:**

Since the imperfect subjunctive is derived from the third person plural

of the preterite, it stands to reason that:

1. There will be nostem-changes in -AR or -ER verbs

2. All -IR verbs that stem-changed in the preterite, will stem-

change all the way throug the imperfect subjunctive.

MORIR (ue, u) PREFERIR (ie, i)

**muriera muriéramos prefiriera prefiriéramos**

**murieras murierais prefirieras prefirierais**

**muriera murieran prefiriera prefirieran**

SERVIR (i, i)

**sirviera sirviéramos**

**sirvieras sirvierais**

**sirviera sirvieran**