

¡El presente!

In Spanish, there are three types of verbs;

They are verbs that end in: -AR, -ER & -IR

These are called infinitive verbs.

When you use a verb (AKA when someone is performing an action), you must **change the ending**; we call this process "conjugation".

¿Recuerdas? Write three examples below of **infinitive** verbs in English and Spanish.

<u>to talk</u>	<u>hablar</u>
<u>to dance</u>	<u>bailar</u>
<u>to eat</u>	<u>comer</u>

So, how does conjugation work? Consider the following English conjugations for the verb "to talk":

I talk	We talk
You talk	Y'all talk
He/she talks	They/you guys talk

In English, the subject pronoun indicates "who" is performing the verb.

However, in Spanish, it is the verb form that tells us who does the action.

To talk = hablar

To need = necesitar

yo hablo	Nosotros hablamos
tú hablas	Vosotros habláis
él/ella habla ud.	ellos/ellas/uds. hablan

yo necesito	Nosotros necesitamos
tú necesitas	Vosotros necesitáis
él/ella ud. necesita	ellos/ellas/uds. necesitan

What do these conjugated verbs have in common?

* stem for hablar
is same in every form
habl-

* same endings

Subject Pronouns:

I yo	We Nosotros Nosotras
You tú	Y'all Vosotros Vosotras
He/she/formal you él / ella / ud.	They/you guys ellos/ellas/uds

How to conjugate:

Primero: Know what verb to use.

Segundo: Who is doing the verb?

Tercero: Drop ending of infinitive

Cuarto: Add correct verb ending.

* The end product is a conjugated verb.

* Each verb has 6 conjugations.

-AR Endings

-o	-amos
-as	-áis
-a	-an

-ER endings

-o	-emos
-es	-éis
-e	-en

-IR Endings

-o	-imos
-es	-ís
-e	-en

¡A practicar! -AR verbs only:

1. I practice yo practico
2. You talk tú practicas
3. He teaches él enseña.
4. Y'all listen vosotros escucháis
5. José plays (instrument) él toca

6. Sarita spends time with Friends
ella pasa tiempo con amigos
7. You and Pedro ride bikes
Uds. montan en bicicletas
8. The teachers teach
Ellos enseñan
9. You and Jaime draw (*dibujar*)
Uds. dibujan.
10. The family cooks (*cocinar*)
La familia cocina.

* One last note:

Subject pronouns are not always needed- verb forms are all different, so no need to clarify, in many cases.