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Primer A



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A. Translation:

1. hablar	to speak	6. la casa	house
2. entrar	to enter	7. la iglesia	church
3. amar	to love	8. la muchacha	young lady/girl
4. mirar	to look at/watch	9. la niña	girl
5. caminar	to walk	10. la tierra	land/earth

11. ¿Muchacha, caminas a tu casa? No, **camino a la iglesia** _____.

B. Canto:

Conjugate the verb **hablar** (*to speak*). See if you can remember how to label the boxes.

	Singular	Plural
1st person	hablo: I speak	hablamos: we speak
2 nd person	hablas: you speak	habláis: you all speak
3rd person	habla: he/she/it speaks	hablan: they/you all speak



C. Grammar:

1. A part of **speech** is a type of **word**.
2. Spanish **verbs** have more **endings** than English verbs.
3. A **verb** names the **action** or state of being in a sentence.
4. To **conjugate** a verb is to list it with its **endings**.

D. Cognados:⁵

1. A doorway or place for going in is an **entrance**. (**entrar**)
 2. A container enclosing a garden of small plants is a **terrarium**. (**tierra**)
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5. **Cognados**, or “cognates,” are English words that are similar to Spanish words. You can find more information about **cognados** in chapter 5.



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amar: amo, amé, amaré	to love: I love, I loved, I will love
mirar: miro, miré, miraré	to look at/watch: I look at/I watch, I looked at/I watched, I will look at/I will watch
entrar: entro, entré, entraré	to enter: I enter, I entered, I will enter
caminar: camino, caminé, caminaré	to walk: I walk, I walked, I will walk
la muchacha	young lady/girl
la niña	girl
la casa	house
la iglesia	church
la tierra	land/earth

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C. Grammar:

Define the following words.

- Conjugation: **joining a verb with its endings**
- Verb: **a word that describes an action or something that someone can do**



A. Parts of Speech

In the list below, circle the verbs. Next, underline the verb endings. Finally, translate all of the nouns and verbs. (Hint: the nouns have **el** or **la** before them):

1. <u>usar</u>	to use	6. la escuela	school
2. <u>trabajas</u>	you work	7. la caja	box
3. <u>preparo</u>	I prepare	8. <u>visitamos</u>	we visit
4. la cosa	thing	9. la taza	cup
5. <u>llaman</u>	they/you all call	10. la puerta	door

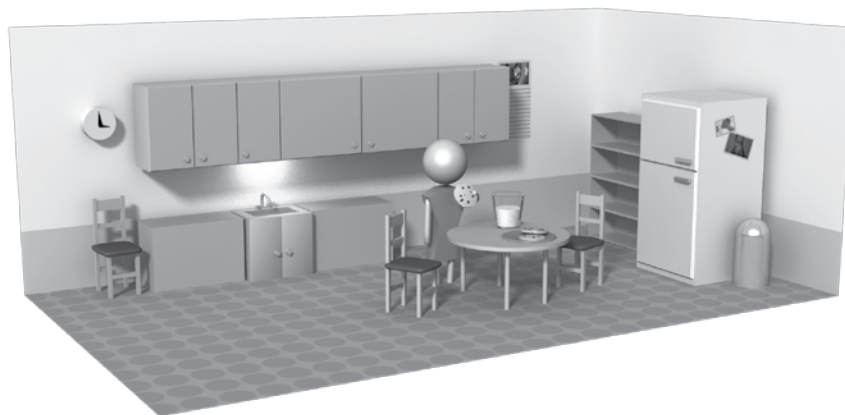
11. Visito a mi abuela los sabados.

Ella siempre me prepara galletas y una taza de leche.

B. Canto:

Fill in the present-tense **-ar** verb endings.

	Singular	Plural
1 st person	<u>-o</u>	<u>-amos</u>
2 nd person	<u>-as</u>	<u>-áis</u>
3 rd person	<u>-a</u>	<u>-an</u>



C. Grammar:

1. Singular endings refer to one **person** .
2. The number of a verb answers “ **how many** ?”
3. Write the **-ar** ending that fits the description below:

Description	Ending
1 st -person singular	<u> -o </u>
3 rd -person plural	<u> -an </u>
2 nd -person singular	<u> -as </u>

4. Number is the difference between **singular** and **plural** .

D. Cognados

1. A harbor or **port** is an entryway by water for boats. (**puerta**)
2. A **scholar** is someone who studies hard in school. (**escuela**)



A. New Vocabulary:

Spanish	English
usar: uso, usé, usaré	to use: I use, I used, I will use
visitar: visito, visité, visitaré	to visit: I visit, I visited, I will visit
preparar: preparo, preparé, prepararé	to prepare: I prepare, I prepared, I will prepare
llamar: llamo, llamé, llamaré	to call: I call, I called, I will call
trabajar: trabajo, trabajé, trabajaré	to work: I work, I worked, I will work
la taza	cup
la caja	box
la puerta	door
la escuela	school
la cosa	thing

B. Review Vocabulary:

Spanish	English
hablar: hablo, hablé, hablaré	to speak: I speak, I spoke, I will speak
mirar: miro, miré, miraré	to look at/watch: I look at/watch, I looked at/watch, I will look at/watch
caminar: camino, caminé, caminaré	to walk: I walk, I walked, I will walk
la niña	girl
la muchacha	young lady/girl

C. Canto:

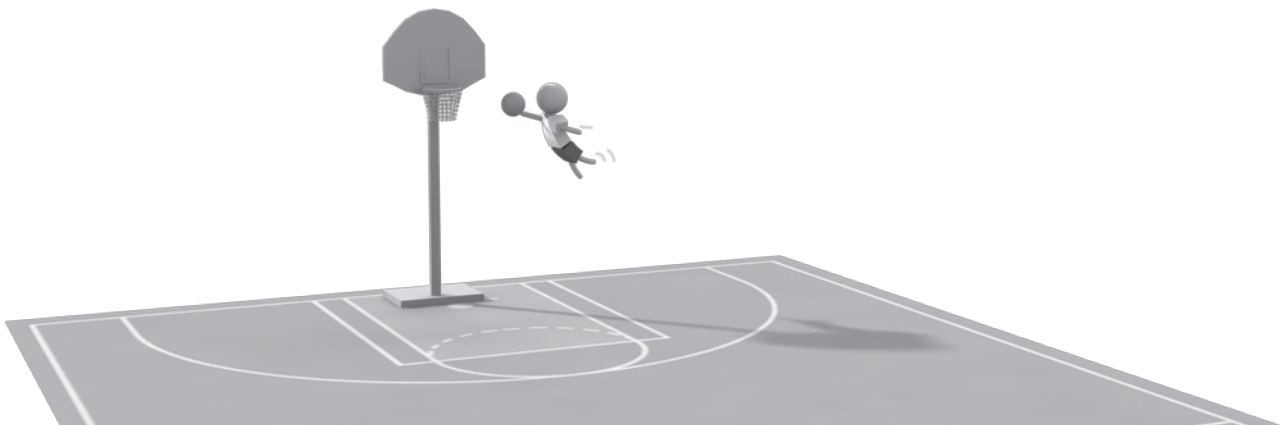
Give the present-tense **-ar** verb endings.

	Singular	Plural
1 st person	-o	-amos
2 nd person	-as	-áis
3 rd person	-a	-an

D. Grammar:

Define the following terms.

1. Number: **the difference between singular and plural**
2. Person: **who is doing the action or being talked about in a sentence**





A. Translation:

1. cenar	to eat dinner	6. la cama	bed
2. observar	to observe	7. la cena	dinner
3. descansan	they/you all rest	8. la mesa	table
4. tomar	to take/drink	9. la luna	moon
5. necesito	I need	10. la silla	chair

11. La niña pone **la mesa** antes de **cenar**.

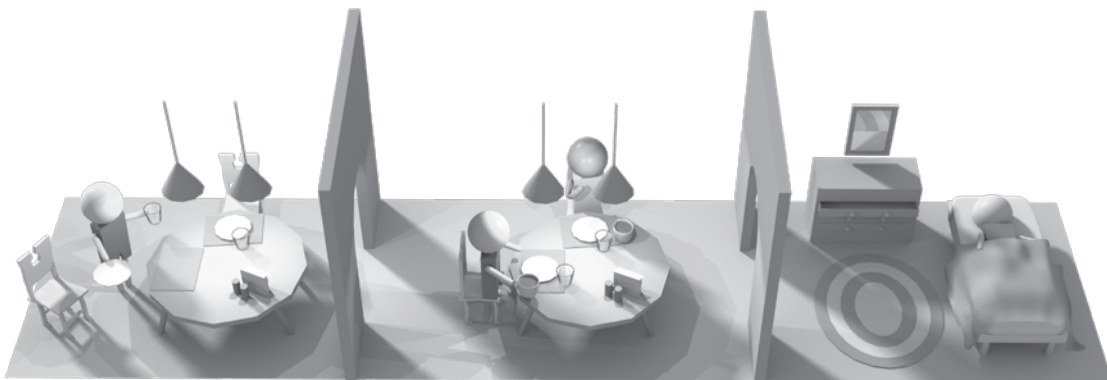
Toma una taza de café **antes de** la cena.

Después de la cena, descansa **en** la cama.

B. Canto: Noun Endings

Fill in the gender endings and their English translation for the noun **muchacho**.

	Singular	Plural
Masculine	muchach <u>o</u> : boy	muchach <u>os</u> : boys
Feminine	muchach <u>a</u> : girl	muchach <u>as</u> : girls



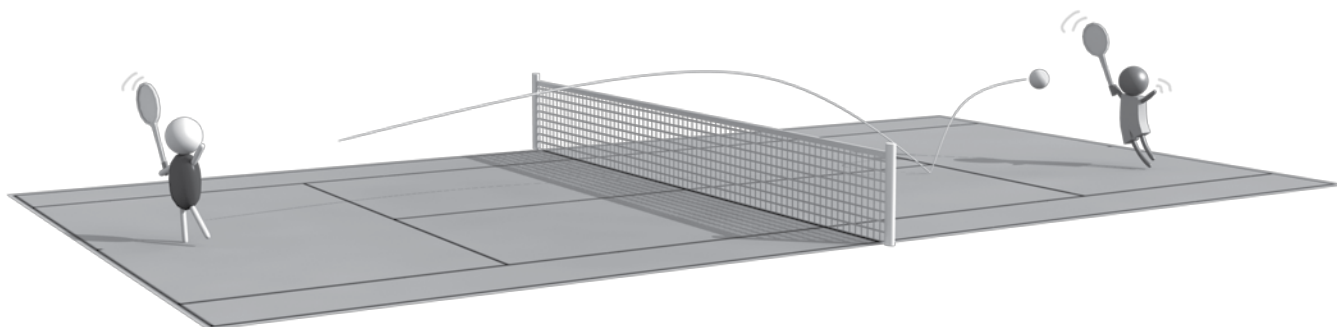
C. Grammar:

1. **Number** tells you if a noun is singular or plural.
2. **Gender** tells you if a noun is masculine or feminine.
3. Finish filling in the gender endings in the boxes below:

	Singular	Plural
Masculine	<u> muchacho: boy </u>	<u> muchachos: boys </u>
Feminine	<u> muchacha: girl </u>	<u> muchachas: girls </u>

D. Cognados:

1. A **lunar** eclipse is an eclipse of the moon. (**luna**)



A. New and Review Vocabulary:

Spanish	English
cenar: ceno, cené, cenaré	to eat dinner: I eat dinner, I ate dinner, I will eat dinner
descansar: descanso, descansé, descansaré	to rest: I rest, I rested, I will rest
necesitar: necesito, necesité, necesitaré	to need: I need, I needed, I will need
observar: observo, observé, observaré	to observe: I observe, I observed, I will observe
tomar: tomo, tomé, tomaré	to take/have something to eat or drink: I take/have..., I took/had..., I will take/have
amar: amo, amé, amaré	to love: I love, I loved, I will love
la cena	dinner
la mesa	table
la silla	chair
la cama	bed
la luna	moon
la muchacha	young lady/girl
la escuela	school

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Feminine	muchach a	muchach as

C. Grammar: Define the following term.

- Gender: **Whether something is masculine or feminine**
- Singular: **When a noun or verb is talking about just one of something**