

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

1. hay..... there is, there are
2. Present Indicative I speak
I do speak
I am speaking
3. hablar (to speak) hablo
hablas
habla
hablamos
habláis
hablan
4. comer (to eat) como
comes
come
comemos
coméis
comen
5. vivir (to live)..... vivo
vives
vive
vivimos
vivís
viven

Here's a list of some common regular -ar, -er, and -ir verbs:

-ar verbs

alquilar.....	to rent
amar.....	to love
andar.....	to walk
ayudar.....	to help
bailar.....	to dance
buscar.....	to look for
caminar.....	to walk
cantar.....	to sing
cocinar.....	to cook
comprar.....	to buy
dejar.....	to allow, to leave
desear.....	to desire
enseñar.....	to teach
entrar (en).....	to enter (into)
enviar.....	to send
escuchar.....	to listen to
esperar.....	to hope, to wait for
estudiar.....	to study
firmar.....	to sign
ganar.....	to win, earn
gastar.....	to spend money
hablar.....	to speak, to talk
lavar.....	to wash
llegar.....	to arrive
llevar.....	to wear, to carry
mandar.....	to order
mirar.....	to watch, to look at
necesitar.....	to need
olvidar.....	to forget
pagar.....	to pay for
practicar.....	to practice
preguntar.....	to ask
preparar.....	to prepare
regresar.....	to return
saludar.....	to greet
tocar.....	to touch, to play an instrument
tomar.....	to take, to drink
trabajar.....	to work
viajar.....	to travel
visitar.....	to visit

-er verbs

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

-ir verb

abrir.....	to open
admitir.....	to admit
asistir a.....	to attend
cubrir.....	to cover
decidir.....	to decide
describir.....	to describe
descubrir.....	to discover
discutir.....	to discuss
escribir.....	to write
existir.....	to exist
omitir.....	to omit
partir.....	to divide
permitir.....	to permit
recibir.....	to receive
subir.....	to climb, to go up
sufrir.....	to suffer
unir.....	to unite
vivir.....	to live