



# PERO VS SINO

'BUT' IN SPANISH



# DIFFERENCE BETWEEN PERO & SINO IN SPANISH

## PERO

Adds contrasting information.



Me gustan los perros, pero también los gatos.  
I like dogs, but also cats.

## SINO

Corrects previous information.



No me gustan los gatos, sino los perros.  
I don't like cats, but dogs.

# HOW TO USE SINO IN SPANISH



## Key Points

- It's always preceded by a negative sentence.
- It corrects previous information.

## Example

No ordené pasta, sino pizza.  
I didn't order pasta, but pizza.

# EXAMPLES: PERO VS SINO IN SPANISH

## PERO

Adds contrasting information.

### Correct

La falda es bonita, **pero** cara.  
The skirt is pretty, **but** expensive.

### Incorrect

No estudio italiano, **pero** español.  
I don't study Italian, **but** Spanish.

## SINO

Corrects previous information.

### Correct

No estudio italiano, **sino** español.  
I don't study Italian, **but** Spanish.

### Incorrect

La falda es bonita, **sino** cara.  
The skirt is pretty **but** expensive.

# KEY POINTS: PERO VS SINO IN SPANISH

- Pero joins two sentences while adding information that contrasts with the previous statement. It can be translated as 'but', 'however', or 'nevertheless'.
- In Spanish, pero can work with both negative and affirmative sentences.
- Sino joins two sentences while correcting the information provided in the first statement. It means 'but', 'but rather', or 'but instead'.
- Sino is always preceded by a negative (factually incorrect) statement.
- Depending on the elements of the sentence, sino can be followed by a noun, pronoun, adjective, or infinitive verb.

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