

# RECORDAR VS ACORDARSE

LEARN THE DIFFERENCES,  
SIMILARITIES AND  
STOP SAYING 'ME RECUERDO'



# RECORDAR VS ACORDARSE IN SPANISH

## RECORDAR

Works with a direct object.



No recuerdo **a tu hermana**.  
I don't remember **your sister**.

## ACORDARSE

Reflexive pronouns + preposition 'de'.



No **me acuerdo de** este lugar.  
I don't remember **this place**.

# ACORDARLE VS ACORDARSE IN SPANISH

## ACORDARLE

To remind someone about something.



Acuérdame **de** darte tus cosas.  
Remind me to give you your stuff.

## ACORDARSE

To talk about what someone remembers.



Sonia **se acordó de** mí.  
Sonia remembered me.

**Note:** When working with indirect object pronouns, 'recordar' also means 'to remind'.

# KEY POINTS: RECORDAR VS ACORDARSE

- Both words are [stem-changing verbs](#) in Spanish.
- When combined with indirect object pronouns, 'acordarse' and 'recordar' mean 'to remind'.
- 'Acordarse' is a pronominal verb and works with reflexive pronouns when talking about remembering things.
- Acordarse de is used to talk about remembering things, people, places and activities.
- 'Recordar' is a transitive verb and it must be followed by the thing or place you remember. It never works with reflexive pronouns.
- Recordar a is exclusively used to refer to remembering people.
- 'Recordar' can work with direct object pronouns while 'acordarse' cannot.

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