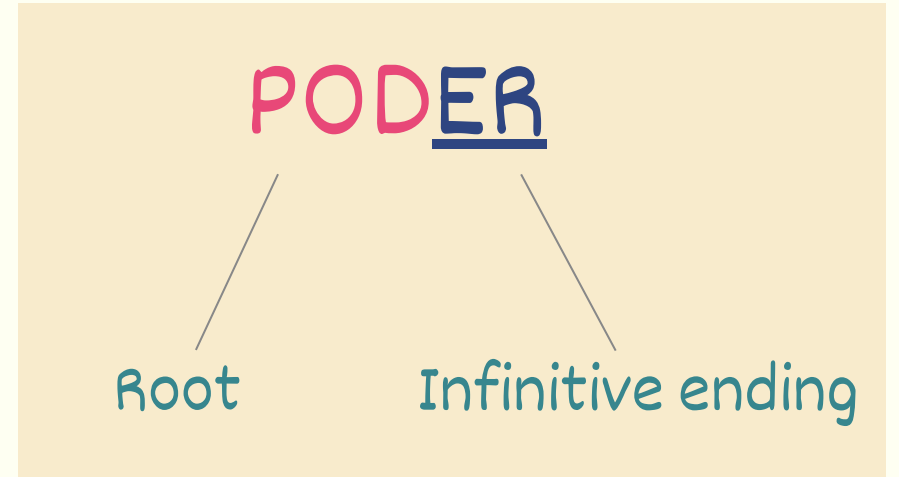


INFINITIVE VERBS IN SPANISH

VERB ENDINGS, USES & RULES



TYPES OF INFINITIVE VERBS IN SPANISH

-AR VERBS

Estar

Viajar

Bañarse

Maquillarse

-ER VERBS

Tener

Hacer

Aprenderse

Conocerse

-IR VERBS

Vivir

Sentir

Aburrirse

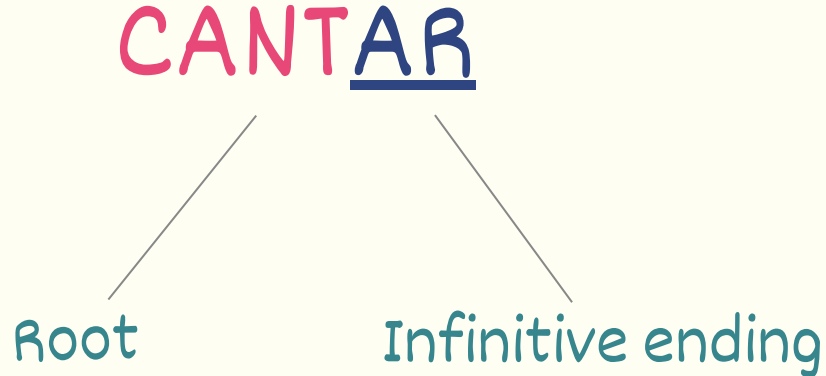
Despedirse

Note: With reflexive verbs, the infinitive ending is placed before the pronoun 'se'.

CONJUGATING INFINITIVE VERBS IN SPANISH

STEP 1

Identify the type of infinitive ending.



STEP 2

Add a tense ending to the root.

Person	Present Endings
Yo	Canto <u>o</u>
Tú	Canta <u>s</u>
Él / Ella	Canta <u>a</u>
Nosotros	Canta <u>mos</u>
Vosotros	Canta <u>áis</u>
Ellos / Ustedes	Canta <u>n</u>

WHEN & HOW TO USE INFINITIVE VERBS

AS A NOUN

Spanish infinitive verbs are used as nouns to name an activity.

IMPERSONAL COMMANDS

Infinitive verbs can be used to express prohibition or give commands in an impersonal way.

AFTER PREPOSITIONS

Infinitives are the only verbs that can be placed after prepositions.

COMPLEMENT TRANSITIVE VERBS

When referring to actions or activities, transitive verbs require a complement to fully express their meaning.

FORMING THE NEAR FUTURE

Infinitive verbs are used to describe the action that is about to take place.

KEY POINTS: INFINITIVE VERBS IN SPANISH

- A **verb in its infinitive form** is an unconjugated verb. It doesn't describe who performed an action (subject) or when it occurred (tense).
- There are **three types** of infinitive verbs in Spanish: *-ar, -er, and -ir*.
- The infinitive verb endings *-ar, -er, and -ir* **indicate the conjugation** model of a verb.
- To **conjugate infinitive verbs**, you must add a tense ending to the verb's root.
- Reflexive and object pronouns can be attached to a Spanish infinitive verb.
- Infinitive verbs in Spanish **are used**:
 - As nouns (*correr es bueno para la salud*)
 - To complement transitive verbs (*quiero viajar*)
 - To give impersonal commands (*no fumar en esta área*)
 - After a preposition (*voy a ver una película*)
 - To form the near/immediate future tense (*voy a llegar*)

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