



# SER CONJUGATIONS & USES

## TO BE

SYNONYMS: N/A

Type	Irregular	Infinitive	Gerund	Past Participle
-ER	YES	Ser <i>To be</i>	Siendo <i>Being</i>	Sido <i>Been</i>

	Indicative	Subjunctive	Imperative
Irregularities	<p><b>Present:</b> <i>soy</i> for 'yo'; <i>e</i> for 'tú', 'él/ella', and 'usted', <i>so</i> for the remaining pronouns.</p> <p><b>Preterite:</b> <i>fui</i> for 'yo', 'tú', 'nosotros', and 'vosotros'; <i>fue</i> for the third person singular and plural.</p> <p><b>Imperfect:</b> <i>era</i> for all subject pronouns.</p>	<p><b>Present:</b> <i>se</i> for all subject pronouns.</p> <p><b>Imperfect:</b> <i>fue</i> for all subject pronouns.</p>	<p><b>Affirmative:</b> <i>sé</i> only for 'tú', <i>se</i> for 'usted' and 'ustedes'.</p> <p><b>Negative:</b> <i>se</i> for all subject pronouns.</p>

## DEFINITION & EXAMPLES

## SER

To expression possession, relationship, and describe people or objects.

(To be)

**Formula**

**['Ser' conjugated] + [complement]**

¿Qué hora **era** cuando Martha llegó?  
What time **was** it when Martha arrived?

No sabía que este carro **fuera** tuyo.  
I didn't know that this car **was** yours.

Antonio y Anna **han sido** novios desde hace dos años.  
Antonia and Anna **have been** dating for two years.

In simple terms, we use *ser* to [tell the time in Spanish](#), express possession or relationships and describe people or objects. These descriptions range from [physical and personality traits](#) to [nationality](#), and profession. You can learn more in the guide on [how to use ser](#).

# INDICATIVE CONJUGATIONS



## SIMPLE INDICATIVE TENSES

SER

Pronoun	Present	Preterite	Imperfect	Future	Conditional
Yo	Soy I am	Fui I was	Era I was / used to be	Seré I will be	Sería I would be
Tú	Eres You are	Fuiste You were	Eras You were / used to be	Serás You will be	Serías You would be
Él / Ella Usted	Es He/She are	Fue He/She was	Era He/She was / used to be	Será He/She will be	Sería He/She would be
Nosotros	Somos We are	Fuimos We were	Éramos We were / used to be	Seremos We will be	Seríamos We would be
Vosotros	Sois You are	Fuisteis You were	Erais You were / used to be	Seréis You will be	Seríais You would be
Ellos / Ellas Ustedes	Son They/You are	Fueron They/You were	Eran They/You were / used to be	Serán They/You will be	Serían They/You would be

## PERFECT (COMPOUND) INDICATIVE TENSES

SER

Pronoun	Present	Past	Future	Conditional
Yo	He sido I have been	Había sido I had been	Habré sido I will have been	Habría sido I would have been
Tú	Has sido You have been	Habías sido You had been	Habrás sido You will have been	Habrías sido You would have been
Él / Ella Usted	Ha sido He/She has been	Había sido He/She had been	Habrá sido He/She will have been	Habría sido He/She would have been
Nosotros	Hemos sido We have been	Habíamos sido We had been	Habremos sido We will have been	Habríamos sido We would have been
Vosotros	Habéis sido You have been	Habíais sido You had been	Habréis sido You will have been	Habríais sido You would have been
Ellos / Ellas Ustedes	Han sido They/You have been	Habían sido They/You had been	Habrán sido They/You will have been	Habrían sido They/You would have been

# INDICATIVE & SUBJUNCTIVE



## PROGRESSIVE (INDICATIVE) TENSES

SER

Pronoun	Present	Preterite	Imperfect	Future	Conditional
Yo	Estoy siendo I am being	Estuve siendo I was being	Estaba siendo I was being	Estaría siendo I will be being	Estaré siendo I would be being
Tú	Estás siendo You are being	Estuviste siendo You were being	Estabas siendo You were being	Estarías siendo You will be being	Estarás siendo You would be being
Él / Ella Usted	Está siendo He/She is being	Estuvo siendo He/She was being	Estaba siendo He/She was being	Estaría siendo He/She will be being	Estará siendo He/She would be being
Nosotros	Estamos siendo We are being	Estuvimos siendo We were being	Estábamos siendo We were being	Estaríamos siendo We will be being	Estaremos siendo We would be being
Vosotros	Estáis siendo You are being	Estuvisteis siendo You were being	Estabais siendo You were being	Estaríais siendo You will be being	Estaréis siendo You would be being
Ellos / Ellas Ustedes	Están siendo They/You are being	Estuvieron siendo They/You were being	Estaban siendo They/You were being	Estarían siendo They/You will be being	Estarán siendo They/You would be being

## SUBJUNCTIVE MOOD TENSES

SER

Pronoun	Present	Present Perfect	Imperfect (Castilian)	Imperfect (Latin American)	Past Perfect
Yo	Sea I am	Haya sido I have been	Fuese I was	Fuera I was	Hubiera sido I have been
Tú	Seas You are	Hayas sido You have been	Fueses You were	Fueras You were	Hubieras sido You have been
Él / Ella Usted	Sea He/She is	Haya sido He/She has been	Fuese He/She was	Fuera He/She was	Hubiera sido He/She has been
Nosotros	Seamos We are	Hayamos sido We have been	Fuésemos We were	Fuéramos We were	Hubiéramos sido We have been
Vosotros	Seáis You are	Hayáis sido You have been	Fueseis You were	N/A	Hubierais sido You have been
Ellos / Ellas Ustedes	Sean They/You are	Hayan sido They/You have been	Fuesen They/You were	Fueran They/You were	Hubieran sido They/You have been

# IMPERATIVE CONJUGATIONS



## IMPERATIVE MOOD TENSES

SER

Pronoun	Affirmative Commands	Negative Commands
Tú	Sé Be	No seas Don't be
Usted	Sea Be	No sea Don't be
Vosotros	Seid Be	No seáis Don't be
Ustedes	Sean Be	No sean Don't be

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