



SABER CONJUGATIONS & USES

TO KNOW, TO DISCOVER,
TO TASTE

SYNONYMS: **CONOCER**, **ENTENDER**, **COMPRENDER**

Type	Irregular	Infinitive	Gerund	Past Participle
-ER	YES	Saber To know	Sabiendo Knowing	Sabido Known

	Indicative	Subjunctive	Imperative
Irregularities	Present: <i>sé</i> only 'yo'. Preterite: <i>sup</i> for all subject pronouns. Future & Conditional: <i>sabr</i> for all subject pronouns.	Present: <i>sep</i> for all subject pronouns. Imperfect: <i>supie</i> for all subject pronouns.	Affirmative: <i>sep</i> for 'usted' and 'ustedes'.

DEFINITIONS & EXAMPLES

SABER

#1 - Talking about things you know or found out

(To know / To discover/find out)

Formula

[Saber conjugated] + [complement]

Supimos que te casaste. ¡Felicidades!
We **heard** that you got married. Congratulations!

Ellos no **sabían** que hoy es tu cumpleaños.
They **didn't know** that today is your birthday.

Ya **sabemos** conjugar el verbo saber.
We already **know** how to conjugate the verb saber.

Take Note: Even though *saber* and *conocer* seem like synonyms, they're not always used interchangeably. In this article, you can learn the [difference between saber and conocer](#).

#2 - Describing something's taste

(To taste)

Formula

[Saber] + (adjective)

Tuve que limpiar las ventanas otra vez.
I **had to** clean the windows again.

Lo siento, **tiene que** hablar con el gerente.
I'm sorry, you **must** talk to the manager.

Take Note: When describing the flavor of something, you can use the noun 'sabor' as the literal translation of 'flavor' in Spanish. Notice that the only difference between this noun and the verb 'saber' is the -er and -or endings.

INDICATIVE CONJUGATIONS



SIMPLE INDICATIVE TENSES

SABER

Pronoun	Present	Preterite	Imperfect	Future	Conditional
Yo	Sé I know	Supe I knew	Sabía I knew / used to know	Sabré I will know	Sabría I would know
Tú	Sabes You know	Supiste You knew	Sabías You knew / used to know	Sabrás You will know	Sabrías You would know
Él / Ella Usted	Sabe He/She knows	Supo He/She knew	Sabía He/She knew / used to know	Sabrá He/She will know	Sabría He/She would know
Nosotros	Sabemos We know	Supimos We knew	Sabíamos We knew / used to know	Sabremos We will know	Sabríamos We would know
Vosotros	Sabéis You know	Supisteis You knew	Sabíais You knew / used to know	Sabréis You will know	Sabríais You would know
Ellos / Ellas Ustedes	Saben They/You know	Supieron They/You knew	Sabían They/You knew / used to know	Sabrán They/You will know	Sabrían They/You would know

PERFECT (COMPOUND) INDICATIVE TENSES

SABER

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

INDICATIVE & SUBJUNCTIVE



PROGRESSIVE (INDICATIVE) TENSES

SABER

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

Take Note: Because saber refers to the knowledge someone has, had or will have, these forms are not common since they emphasize that someone is knowing something at the moment of speaking.

SUBJUNCTIVE MOOD TENSES

SABER

Pronoun	Present	Present Perfect	Imperfect (Castilian)	Imperfect (Latin American)	Past Perfect
Yo	Sepa I know	Haya sabido I have known	Supiese I knew	Supiera I knew	Hubiera sabido I have known
Tú	Sepas You know	Hayas sabido You have known	Supieses You knew	Supieras You knew	Hubieras sabido You have known
Él / Ella Usted	Sepa He/She knows	Haya sabido He/She has known	Supiese He/She knew	Supiera He/She knew	Hubiera sabido He/She has known
Nosotros	Sepamos We know	Hayamos sabido We have known	Supiésemos We knew	Supiéramos We knew	Hubiéramos sabido We have known
Vosotros	Sepáis You know	Hayáis sabido You have known	Supieseis You knew	N/A	Hubierais sabido You have known
Ellos / Ellas Ustedes	Sepan They/You know	Hayan sabido They/You have known	Supiesen They/You knew	Supieran They/You knew	Hubieran sabido They/You have known

IMPERATIVE CONJUGATIONS



IMPERATIVE MOOD TENSES

SABER

Pronoun	Affirmative Commands	Negative Commands
Tú	Sabe Know	N/A N/A
Usted	Sepa Know	N/A N/A
Vosotros	Sabed Know	N/A N/A
Ustedes	Sepan Know	N/A N/A

Take Note: Because you cannot command people not to know something, the negative imperative forms of saber are never used in Spanish.

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