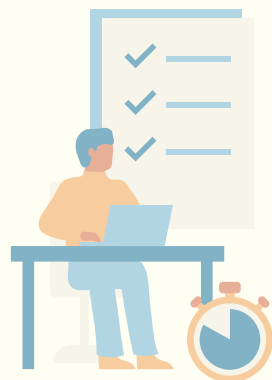




5 WAYS TO USE YA IN SPANISH

EXAMPLES + POPULAR EXPRESSIONS



OPPOSITE OF YA IN SPANISH

YA

Ya terminé.
I already finished.



TODAVÍA NO

Todavía no termino.
I still haven't finished.

YA NO

Ya no trabajo aquí.
I don't work here anymore.



TODAVÍA

Todavía trabajo aquí.
I still work here.



EXPRESSING AN ACTION IS FINISHED - ALREADY

Ya is the direct translation of "already."

[Subject] + ['ya'] + [verb conjugated in past tense]

With this meaning, hay means "to have to", or "let's do..." With this meaning, hay means "to have to", or "let's do..."

Karla, creo que ya se acabó la leche.

Karla, I think we're already out of milk.

Ya terminamos de estudiar.

We've (already) finished studying.

ACTIONS THAT ARE NO LONGER DONE - ANYMORE

'Ya' is translated as "anymore", or "no longer"

['Ya'] + [no] + [verb conjugated]

With this meaning, hay means "to have to", or "let's do...". With this meaning, hay means "to have to", or "let's do...".

Ya no tengo ganas de ir al cine.

I no longer feel like going to the movies.

Oye, Paul, ¿ya no estudias español?

Hey, Paul, you don't study Spanish anymore?

EXPRESSING SOMETHING JUST HAPPENED - NOW

'Ya' in this context can be translated as "now", or "right now"

['Ya'] + [verb conjugated]

With this meaning, hay means "to have to", or "let's do...". With this meaning, hay means "to have to", or "let's do...".

No te vayas, ya vengo.

Don't go, I'll be right back.

Ya veo porque estás tan enojada.

Now I see why you are so angry.

DESCRIBING CAUSES AND REASONS - SINCE

'Ya' can be translated as "since", or "given that"

[Ya que] + [verb conjugated] + [complement]

With this meaning, hay means "to have to", or "let's do..." With this meaning, hay means "to have to", or "let's do..."

Ya que no vas a ayudarme, vete y déjame en paz.

Since you're not going to help me, go away and leave me alone.

Lola, ya que tienes mucho tiempo libre, juega con tu hermana.

Lola, given that you have so much free time, play with your sister.

EMPHASIZING SENTENCES

'Ya' can have numerous translations depending on the other words its used with

[Ya] + [complement]

With this meaning, *hay* means "to have to", or "let's do...". With this meaning, *hay* means "to have to", or "let's do...".

Ya sé, Karla ha estado muy extraña.

I know, Karla has been very weird.

Oye, ya casi llegamos a la casa.

Hey, we're almost home.

KEY POINTS: USING YA IN SPANISH

- 'Ya' means 'already' when asking or saying that an action is finished.
- When working with the word no, 'ya' means 'no longer' or 'anymore' and it expresses that a person no longer does something that he or she used to do.
- 'Ya' is an adverb of time.
- If expressing that an action was recently done or it needs to be completed at this moment, 'ya' means 'right now' or 'now'.
- 'Ya' can be used only to emphasize sentences.

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