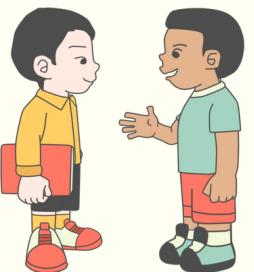




# EL VS ÉL: KEY DIFFERENCES IN SPANISH



# EL WITH OR WITHOUT AN ACCENT

## EL

Definite article for singular masculine nouns.



El lunes llega el teléfono que compré.  
The phone I bought arrives on Monday.

## ÉL

Pronoun for the third person singular.



Él es Luis y el paquete es para él.  
He's Luis and the package is for him.

# WHEN TO USE EL IN SPANISH

## KEY POINTS

- It's a definite article and means 'the'.
- El goes before singular masculine nouns.
- It's used before days of the week, such as el lunes.
- If combined with 'a' and 'de' it contracts to al or del.



El perro que está en el patio es mío.  
The dog that is in the yard is mine.

A mí me gusta el rojo.  
I like the red one.

# WHEN TO USE ÉL IN SPANISH

## KEY POINTS

- It's a pronoun for the third person singular.
- It replaces a noun.
- As a subject pronoun, él substitutes the subject of the action.
- As a prepositional pronoun, it comes after Spanish prepositions.



Él está bien. Se mudó a Japón.  
He is fine. He moved to Japan.

El juguete es de él.  
The toy is his.



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