

Grammar Rules – Viva 1, Module 2

Infinitives:

An infinitive is the dictionary form of the verb. In Spanish, verbs fall into 3 groups according to the ending of the infinitive: **-ar**, **-er**, or **-ir**.

When 2 verbs come side by side, the 2nd one must be in the infinitive.

Examples: me gusta chatear = I like to chat online
me encanta escribir = I love to write
no me gusta leer = I don't like to read

Regular present tense verbs:

| -ar verbs | |
|-----------|-----------------------------|
| HABLAR | TO SPEAK |
| hablo | I speak |
| hablas | you (singular) speak |
| habla | he/she speaks |
| hablamos | we speak |
| habláis | you (plural) speak |
| hablan | they speak |

| stem-changing (boot) verbs | |
|----------------------------|---------------------|
| JUGAR | TO PLAY |
| juego | I play |
| juegas | you (singular) play |
| juega | he/she plays |
| jugamos | we play |
| jugáis | you (plural) play |
| juegan | they play |

Irregular present tense verbs:

| HACER | TO DO |
|---------|-------------------|
| hago | I do |
| haces | you (singular) do |
| hace | he/she does |
| hacemos | we do |
| hacéis | you (plural) do |
| hacen | they do |

Remember:

JUGAR = to play

HACER = to do/go (+ sport).

Use *hacer* for any sport you don't play.