GRAMMAR
FOR
YOUNG LEARNERS
1. LOS ARTÍCULOS

A EL ARTÍCULO INDEFINIDO ‘A – AN’

Los artículos indefinidos en inglés son A y An y equivalen a Un, Una, Unos, Unas.

A se utiliza delante de las palabras que empiezan con consonante: A car; A bicycle.

An se emplea delante de las palabras que empiezan con vocal o H muda: An umbrella; An honest man.

A continuación, se detallan algunos ejemplos de su uso.

– El artículo indefinido se utiliza delante de sustantivos contables como ejemplos de una clase general de cosas:
– A bike is a thing people ride. – A pan is what we use for cooking.

Antes de nombres de profesiones:
– My aunt is a doctor. – Bryan is a photographer.

Para expresar precios y velocidad:
– Pears are 3 Euros a kilo. – I drive my car at a 100 kilometres an hour.

Antes de sustantivos en singular en exclamaciones como “rather”, “quite”, “such”:
– My sister is such a good tennis player. – She is rather a good writer.

B EL ARTÍCULO DEFINIDO ‘THE’

Equivale a El, La, Las, Los y se utiliza delante de los nombres de ríos, mares y cordilleras:

The river Thames. The Alps.

The Pacific Ocean. The Atlas Mountains.

C LA OMISIÓN DEL ARTÍCULO

No se utiliza el artículo con sustantivos que indican una clase general de cosas, delante de nombres que representan una calidad o cantidad indefinida, ni delante de nombres de calles, ciudades o países; pero hay algunas excepciones:

– The United States. – Water is good for you.
– The Netherlands. – Gold is an expensive metal.
– The Dominican Republic. – I live in New York.
– Dinner is at 8 o’clock. – India is a beautiful country.

Tampoco antes de los sustantivos en plural cuando se emplea de una forma indefinida:
– Children can be very noisy. – Planes make a lot of noise.
EXERCISE 1

THE DEFINITE AND INDEFINITE ARTICLES

1. Complete these sentences with *a* or *an*.

a) I am having _______ party for my birthday.

b) Can you drive _______ car?

c) My grandfather is _______ doctor in a big hospital.

d) Do you want _______ egg with your bacon?

e) Can I have _______ apple, please?

f) Strawberries are expensive, they are 6 euros _______ kilo.

g) Robbie Williams is such _______ good singer.

h) Janet is _______ honest girl, she never tells lies.

i) I am buying grandma _______ umbrella for her birthday.

2. Write the word *the* when an article is needed in the sentence.

a) _______ salads are good for you.

b) Can you put some oil on _______ salad, please?

c) He is flying from _______ India to Italy.

d) He wants to live in _______ United States.

e) _______ children should not eat too many sweets.

f) We are going skiing in _______ Alps.

g) _______ river Thames flows through London.

h) I prefer _______ tea to _______ coffee.

i) He lives on an island in _______ Pacific Ocean.
2. LA FORMACIÓN DE LOS PLURALES

A El plural de la mayoría de los sustantivos se forma añadiéndole S al singular.

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B A las palabras que terminan en S, Ch, Sh, X se les añade es; en estos casos se pronuncia como una sílaba separada.

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C En los sustantivos que terminan en Y precedidos por una consonante se cambia la y por i y se añade es.
Si la Y está precedida por una vocal, solamente se añade la S.

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D A algunos sustantivos que terminan en O se les añade es, pero a otros se les añade solamente la s. Consulta tu diccionario si tienes alguna duda.

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E Casi todos los sustantivos que terminan en -f o -fe cambian la f o fe por -ves.

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F En algunos sustantivos se forma el plural de otro modo; son los llamados “plurales irregulares”.
A continuación, se detallan algunos ejemplos:

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EXERCISE 2

1. Complete these sentences in the plural form.

   a) There are some (tomato) ________________ in the salad.
   b) My aunt has got two (child) ________________ .
   c) I have got a lot of (book) ________________ in my room.
   d) The chef has got a lot of big (knife) ________________ .
   e) The (leaf) ________________ are falling off the trees.
   f) My sister has got two (box) ________________ of sweets.
   g) Mum is making me two new (dress) ________________ .
   h) Can you give me three (pencil) ________________ , please?
   i) There are three (man) ________________ in the shop.
   j) I visited two old (church) ________________ in London.
   k) There are two red (bus) ________________ in front of the park.
   l) I have got two hands and two (foot) ________________ .
   m) Be quiet and clean your (tooth) ________________ .
   n) Mum is talking to two (lady) ________________ in the park.
   o) The little boy is playing with his (toy) ________________ .
   p) I need two (brush) ________________ , I am going to paint my room.
   q) My aunt and her cousin are lovely (woman) ________________ .
   r) There are two (teacher) ________________ in the classroom.
   s) I have got two (bunch) ________________ of roses.
   t) Are all your sisters (girl) ________________ ?
   u) The English king Henry VIII had 6 (wife) ________________ .
3 - 4. ADJETIVOS Y PRONOMBRES POSESIVOS

3. POSSESSIVE ADJECTIVES

My (mí) This is my book. (Esto es mi libro).
Your (tu) Put your money in your pocket. (Pon tu dinero en tu bolsillo).
His (su, de él) Give John his coat. (Dale a John su abrigo).
Her (su, de ella) Mary wants her bag. (Mary quiere su bolso).
Its (su, de cosa o animal) The house lost its roof in the storm. (La casa perdió su techo en la tormenta).
Our (nuestro) Can we take our record? (¿Podemos coger nuestro disco?).
Their (su, de ellos) Their house is by the cinema. (Su casa está al lado del cine).

4. POSSESSIVE PRONOUNS

Mine (mío) The blue bag is mine. (El bolso azul es mío).
Yours (tuyo/suyo/vuestro) The green bag is yours. (El bolso verde es tuyo/vuestro).
His (suyo, de él) The green cap is his. (El gorro verde es suyo).
Hers (suyo, de ella) The red cap is hers. (El gorro rojo es suyo).
Ours (nuestro) The red car is ours. (El coche rojo es nuestro).
Theirs (suyo, de ellos) Theirs is black. (El suyo es negro).
EXERCISE 3

1. Complete these sentences with the correct Possessive Adjective.
   a) I go to the cinema with __________ parents every Sunday.
   b) Sandra does __________ homework before she goes to bed.
   c) My uncle loves __________ children very much.
   d) John and Sammy are cleaning __________ father’s car.
   e) We cleaned __________ classroom this morning.
   f) Is this __________ pen?
   g) The dog is eating __________ bone.
   h) Where did dad put __________ jacket?
   i) Take __________ coat with you, it’s cold outside.
   j) We are making __________ lunch today.

EXERCISE 4

2. Complete these sentences with the correct Possessive Pronoun.
   a) This red jacket belongs to me, it’s __________ .
   b) That green cap belongs to you, it’s __________ .
   c) We found this dog in the park, it is __________ .
   d) Give this book to Helen, it is __________ .
   e) I finished my exercise but David didn’t finish __________ .
   f) I ate my sandwiches but the boys didn’t eat __________ .
   g) We bought that ball, it’s __________ .
   h) Give that hat to dad, it’s __________ .
5. SOME - ANY

Para utilizar some y any correctamente, hay que tener en cuenta, primero, si una cosa es o no es contable. Además, utilizamos:

Some = “Algo de” en frases afirmativas.
Any = “Algo” en frases interrogativas y negativas.

Llamamos contables a aquellas cosas que se pueden contar por unidades; por ejemplo, una casa, dos manzanas, tres libros, cuatro coches…

Llamamos no contables a aquellas cosas que no se pueden contar por unidades; por ejemplo, la leche en un vaso, el café en una cafetera, el arroz en un saco, la mantequilla en un plato, arena en la playa, etc.

Ejemplo: contable

Afirmtiva: There are some pencils in the box. 
(Hay algunos lápices en la caja).

Interrogativa: Are there any pencils in the box? 
(¿Hay algunos lápices en la caja?).

Negativa: No, there aren’t any pencils in the box. 
(No, no hay lápices en la caja).

Ejemplo: incontable

Afirmtiva: There is some milk in the glass. 
(Hay algo de leche en el vaso).

Interrogativa: Is there any milk in the bottle? 
(¿Hay algo de leche en la botella?).

Negativa: No, there isn’t any milk in the bottle. 
(No, no hay nada de leche en la botella).
EXERCISE 5

Complete these sentences with ‘some’ or ‘any’.

a) I am making ________________ sandwiches for lunch.

b) I can’t go out today, I haven’t got ________________ money.

c) Is there ________________ milk in the jug?

d) Sarah has got ________________ lovely, new dresses.

e) I gave the little boy ________________ sweets.

f) There isn’t ________________ bread in the cupboard.

g) I haven’t got ________________ friends in London.

h) Are there ________________ tomatoes in the fridge?

i) There is ________________ cheese on the plate.

j) Can you give me ________________ coffee, please?

k) Can I have ________________ ice cream, please?

l) I have ________________ friends in New York.

m) Sally is very lazy. She doesn’t do ________________ shopping.

n) I can’t see ________________ children in the playground.

o) There are ________________ silver fish in the pond.

p) Are there ________________ rivers where you live?

q) Have you got ________________ good books?

r) My sister needs ________________ new shoes.

s) They are showing ________________ new films in town this week.

t) I need ________________ nails to hang the pictures up.

u) We can’t make ________________ coffee, there’s no milk.
### Afirmativas (Some)

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### Negativas (No)

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### Alguna cosa: Something

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### Algún sitio: Somewhere

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<td>No, they haven’t got a house <em>anywhere</em>. (No, no tienen casa en ningún sitio).</td>
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<td>Have you seen my bag <em>anywhere</em>? (¿Has visto mi bolso en algún sitio?).</td>
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### Ningún sitio: Nowhere

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<td>We have <em>nowhere</em> to go today. (No tenemos ningún sitio donde ir hoy).</td>
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EXERCISE 6

Complete these sentences. Use: somebody, something, somewhere, anybody, anything, anywhere, nobody.

a) I can hear _____________ shouting in the street.

b) I can’t see. I’ve got _____________ in my eye.

c) I didn’t see _____________ in the street, it was raining.

d) Are you going _____________ nice on Saturday?

e) I am not hungry, I can’t eat _____________ now.

f) The cat is hiding _____________ in the house.

g) Is _____________ coming to lunch today?

h) Don’t tell _____________ , it’s a secret.

i) I can’t find my pencil case _____________.

j) I didn’t see _____________ I know at the concert.

k) Don’t tell _____________ my telephone number.

l) He met her _____________ in France.

m) I can hear _____________ playing a guitar in the street.

n) Are you giving Sandra _____________ for her birthday?

o) Mum is talking to _____________ outside.

p) I want _____________ to eat, I’m hungry.

q) John is so quiet, he never tells me _____________.

r) I haven’t got _____________ to wear for the party.

s) _____________ is going to school today, it’s Saturday.

t) Is _____________ coming to the tennis match?
7. A LOT OF - MUCH - MANY

Afirmativa: A lot of se utiliza en singular y en plural en frases afirmativas.

There is a lot of: “Mucho”; para no contables
There is a lot of milk in the jug.

There are a lot of: “Hay muchos”; para contables.
There are a lot of flowers in the vase.

Interrogativa y negativa:

Much se utiliza en frases interrogativas y negativas con sustantivos no contables.

Much: “Mucho”; para no contables.
Is there much milk in the glass?
(¿Hay mucha leche en el vaso?).

No, there isn’t much milk in the glass.
(No, no hay mucha leche en el vaso).

Many se utiliza en frases interrogativas y negativas con sustantivos contables.

Many: “Muchos”; para contables.
Are there many flowers in the garden?
(¿Hay muchas flores en el jardín?).

No, there aren’t many flowers in the garden.
(No, no hay muchas flores en el jardín).
EXERCISE 7

Complete these sentences with a lot of, much, many.

a) There is ________________ coffee in the pot.
b) There isn’t ________________ milk in the bottle.
c) There aren’t ________________ children in the park.
d) Are there ________________ pencils in the box?
e) There are ________________ animals at the zoo.
f) I haven’t got ________________ money, so I can’t go out.
g) Mum is making ________________ cakes for the party.
h) Sandra hasn’t got ________________ friends.
i) Is there ________________ water in the river?
j) How ________________ brothers and sisters have you got?
k) I don’t have ________________ free time, I work all day.
l) I have ________________ friends at school.
m) My grandma has got ________________ money.

n) We don’t drink ________________ coffee.
o) How ________________ people went to the party?
p) I buy ________________ of books, I love reading.

q) There isn’t ________________ traffic today.
r) We have got ________________ of flowers in our garden.
s) I can’t see ________________ people on the beach.
t) I haven’t got ________________ homework today.
u) There are ________________ animals on the farm.
8. A LITTLE - A FEW

**A little:** “Solamente un poco de”; para sustantivos no contables:

- There is *only a little* water in the glass.
  (Hay solamente un poco de agua en el vaso).

- There is *only a little* butter in the fridge.
  (Hay solamente un poco de mantequilla en el frigorífico).

**A few:** “Solamente unos pocos”; para sustantivos contables:

- There are *only a few* children in the park.
  (Hay solamente unos pocos niños en el parque).

- There are *only a few* ducks on the pond.
  (Hay solamente unos pocos patos en el estanque).
EXERCISE 8

1. Complete these sentences with only a little – only a few.

a) There is _________________ orange juice in the fridge.

b) There are _________________ children in the school playground.

c) There is _________________ cheese on the plate.

d) There are _________________ books in the library.

e) There are _________________ people in the shop.

f) There is _________________ chocolate on the cake.

g) There is _________________ snow on the mountain top.

h) There are _________________ pieces of bread in the basket.

i) There are _________________ windows in the house.

j) There is _________________ butter in the dish.

k) There are _________________ fish in the tank.

2. Answer these questions. Use only a little or only a few in your answers.

a) Are there many children in your family?

________________________________________

b) Do you drink a lot of coffee?

________________________________________

c) Do you watch a lot of films?

________________________________________

d) Do you buy a lot of sweets?

________________________________________
9. CONJUGACIÓN DE VERBOS

En inglés, los verbos son muy sencillos. Constán de tres formas:

_Ejemplos_:  
**Verbo regular:** *To play (jugar)*

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**Verbo irregular:** *To eat (comer)*

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**Presente simple (Simple Present)**

Para formar el **presente simple** utilizamos el verbo en infinitivo (la 1.ª columna sin “to”).

Regular verb: I play tennis on Saturday morning but Sandra play basketball.

Irregular verb: I eat toast for breakfast every morning but she eats cornflakes.

*Recuerda que en las frases afirmativas la 3.ª persona “he”, “she” o “it” lleva una “s” en el verbo.

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**El pasado (Past Tense)**

Para formar el **pasado simple** en el caso de los **verbos regulares**, añadimos -ed a la forma en infinitivo. El verbo en pasado tiene la misma forma para todas las personas.

Con un **verbo regular**, formamos el pasado añadiendo -ed.

_Ejemplos_: Looked, cooked, rented, appeared, painted.
– We cooked lunch for our friends yesterday.

*Pero debemos anotar que algunos verbos llevan cambios ortográficos cuando formamos el pasado.

Si el verbo en infinitivo termina en e, solo se añade -d.
Ejemplos: Like, invite, achieve, die, receive.
– I invited my cousin to the cinema yesterday.
Si el verbo en infinitivo termina en y precedida por una consonante, la y final se convierte en -ied.
Ejemplos: fry, try, reply.
– I replied to John’s letter yesterday.
Si el verbo en infinitivo termina en y precedida por una vocal, se añade -ed.
Ejemplos: stay, play, enjoy.
– I stayed at a nice hotel in London.
En el caso de los verbos irregulares, no hay una regla fija, y hay que estudiar la forma de cada verbo. Como podemos advertir si observamos una lista de verbos, la forma cambia en cada columna.
Ejemplos: Eat - Ate - Eaten
         Write - Wrote - Written
         Go - Went - Gone
– We ate a big chocolate cake yesterday.
– I wrote a letter to my friend in France.
– Sarah went to Italy for two weeks.

El presente continuo (Present Continuous)
Para formar el presente continuo utilizamos el verbo “to be” en presente más el verbo principal añadiendo “-ing”.

Verbo “to be” (presente)  Verbo principal + “-ing”.
I am studying English this year.
(Estoy estudiando inglés este año).
You are reading a book now.
(Estás leyendo un libro ahora).
He is camping in the park today.
(Está acampanando en el parque hoy).
She is making lunch at this moment.
(Estamos haciendo la comida ahora).
You are living in England this year.
(Estáis viviendo en Inglaterra este año).
They are cleaning the car now.
(Están limpiando el coche ahora).
## El futuro (Future Tense)

Para formar el **futuro** usamos “**will**” más el verbo principal en **infinitivo** (1.ª columna).

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<td>visit grandma tomorrow.</td>
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<td>(Visitare a mi abuela mañana).</td>
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<td>You will</td>
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## Going to

También formamos el futuro con “**going to**”. Para ello, utilizamos el infinitivo del verbo “**to be**” más “**going to**” seguido del verbo principal en presente.

“Going to” quiere decir “va a”.

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We are going to buy a new car.
(¿Van a comprar un coche nuevo?)

You are going to paint your house.
(Vais a pintar vuestra casa)

They are going to ring me tomorrow.
(Van a llamarme mañana)

F LA INTERROGATIVA Y NEGATIVA

Recordamos que los verbos “to be”, “to have”, “can”, “must”, etc., no necesitan la ayuda del verbo auxiliar para formar la interrogativa o la negativa.

Ejemplos:

Afirmativa: John is a teacher.
Interrogativa: Is John a teacher?
Negativa: John isn’t a doctor.

Afirmativa: I can speak English.
Interrogativa: Can you speak English?
Negativa: No, I can’t speak English.

Los demás verbos sí necesitan la ayuda del verbo auxiliar “Do”.

G EL VERBO AUXILIAR “DO”

Present tense (presente)

I do
You do
He does
She does
It does
We do
You do
They do

*Si la oración está en presente, formamos la interrogativa y la negativa con el verbo auxiliar también en presente: do, does, don’t, doesn’t.

Ejemplos:

Afirmativa: They speak English.
Interrogativa:  **Do** they **speak** English?
Negativa: They **don’t** **speak** Russian.

Afirmativa: Betty **p**aints pretty pictures.
Interrogativa: **Does** Betty **p**aint pretty pictures?

(Recuerda que en las oraciones interrogativas y negativas se quita la “s” del verbo en 3.ª persona.)

Negativa: Betty **doesn’t** paint pretty pictures.

**EL VERBO AUXILIAR EN EL PASADO**

*Si la oración está en pasado, formamos la interrogativa y la negativa utilizando el verbo auxiliar también en pasado: “**did**”, “**didn’t**”.

**Pasado**

I did
You did
He did
She did
It did
We did
You did
They did

**Ejemplo (verbo irregular):**

Afirmativa: Betty **ate** a banana yesterday.
Interrogativa: **Did** Betty **eat** a banana yesterday?

(Recuerda que al formar las interrogativas y las negativas el verbo principal se emplea en infinitivo).

Negativa: Betty **didn’t** **eat** an orange yesterday.

**Ejemplo (verbo regular):**

Afirmativa: John **cleaned** the car last week.
Interrogativa: **Did** John **clean** the car last week?
Negativa: John **didn’t** **clean** his bicycle last week.
EXERCISE 9

A  Write these sentences in the past tense in your notebook.

a) We play tennis in the park.
b) I eat a lot of fruit.
c) Mum cooks some nice dishes.
d) She paints a lot of nice pictures.
e) I get a lot of presents for my birthday.
f) My friend in England writes to me in English.
g) We go to the park in the evening.
h) John helps me with my homework.
i) I want to marry David.
j) I buy too much chocolate.
k) Mum sings very well.
l) My father drives a big, blue car.

B  Write these sentences in present continuous.

a) The doorbell (ring) ____________________________ now.
b) He (write) ____________________________ a letter to his cousin.
c) I think it (rain) ____________________________ .
d) David (play) ____________________________ tennis with Sarah.
e) Who (cook) ____________________________ lunch today?
f) Be quiet, please. Rosie (study) ____________________________ .
g) Let’s go to the park, the sun (shine) ____________________________ .
h) I am busy. I (make) ____________________________ a cake.
i) The children (read) ____________________________ their story books.
j) We (go) ____________________________ to the cinema this afternoon.
C Rewrite these sentences using going to in your notebook.

a) I will visit Sarah on Saturday.
b) She will come to supper tonight.
c) We will fly to New York in July.
d) I will meet John at nine o’clock.
e) We will invite Sandra to our party.
f) David will buy mum’s birthday present.
g) They will arrive about seven o’clock.
h) I will make your birthday cake.
i) I will do my homework before supper.
j) Our team will win the football match.

D Write these sentences in the interrogative and negative forms in your notebook.

a) Grandma is a very good cook.
b) These two boys are American.
c) It is raining hard.
d) Sally is a very good student.
e) I am a pretty girl.
f) The dog is barking in the garden.
g) The children are making a noise.
h) I am a good student.
i) We are playing tennis.
j) My cousins are listening to their CDs.

E Write a question for these answers.

a) ________________________________?
I am doing an exercise.

b) ________________________________?
I am going to play tennis with Robert.
F Write these sentences in the interrogative and negative forms in your notebook. Use do, does, don’t, doesn’t.

a) He goes to school at nine o’clock.
b) We live on the first floor.
c) We eat too much chocolate.
d) They drink a lot of orange juice.
f) It rains a lot in winter.
g) She plays tennis on Sunday morning.
h) Mum makes delicious cakes.
i) He speaks English very well.
j) Nurses work very hard.
k) We travel to school by bus.
l) My father drives a big, blue car.
m) Rose goes to bed early every night.
n) My cousin draws very well.

G Write these sentences in the interrogative and negative forms in your notebook. Use did and didn’t.

a) The train left at six o’clock.
b) It snowed in the mountains last night.
c) Jane invited Sam to her party.
d) Sarah telephoned me yesterday.
e) We had a picnic in the park last week.
f) Susan won first prize in the painting competition.
g) Beth met Tom in Oxford street.
h) Rachel gave Sally a CD for her birthday.
i) Mum cut her finger in the kitchen.
j) Grandma wrote a book about animals.
k) I visited grandad last week.
l) John won the tennis match.
m) I bought a new dictionary yesterday.
n) Daniel broke his leg last Saturday.
10. ADVERBIOS DE TIEMPO (ADVERBS OF TIME)

Estos son los adverbios que utilizamos con los distintos tiempos:

**PRESENT SIMPLE (HABITUAL)**

- Every day *(todos los días)*
- Every week *(todas las semanas)*
- Every month *(todos los meses)*
- Every Christmas *(todas las Navidades)*
- Every summer *(todos los veranos)*
- Every Monday *(todos los lunes)*
- Every year *(todos los años)*
- Every morning *(todas las mañanas)*

I go to school every day.
I get up at 8 o’clock every morning.

**PRESENT CONTINUOUS**

- Today *(hoy)*
- Now *(ahora)*
- At this moment *(en este momento)*
- This week *(esta semana)*
- This month *(este mes)*
- This year *(este año)*
- This Christmas *(estas Navidades)*
- This July *(este julio)*

I am studying French this year.
We are making some cakes now.

**PAST TENSE**

- Yesterday *(ayer)*
- Last week *(la semana pasada)*
- Last month *(el mes pasado)*
- Last year *(el año pasado)*
- Last winter *(el invierno pasado)*
- Last Sunday *(el domingo pasado)*
- Last September *(el pasado septiembre)*
- Last Christmas *(las Navidades pasadas)*

I visited grandmother last Sunday.
I saw Rambo two weeks ago.

**FUTURE**

- Tomorrow *(mañana)*
- Next week *(la semana próxima)*
- Next year *(el año que viene)*
- Next month *(el mes que viene)*
- Next summer *(el próximo verano)*
- Next Monday *(el próximo lunes)*
- Next July *(el julio próximo)*
- Etcétera.

I am going to Rome next week.
I will go to England next July.

*Habrás visto, fijándote en los ejemplos, que normalmente el adverbio de tiempo se coloca al final de la oración, al contrario que los adverbios de frecuencia, que se sitúan delante del verbo principal.

**ADVERBIOS DE FRECUENCIA (FREQUENCY ADVERBS)**

- Never *(nunca)*
- Always *(siempre)*
- Often *(a menudo)*
- Sometimes *(a veces)*
- Rarely *(raras veces)*
- Normally *(normalmente)*
- Usually *(usualmente)*

I never drink whisky *(nunca bebo whisky).*
I always drink milk *(siempre bebo leche).*
I often go to the cinema *(voy al cine a menudo).*
We sometimes go to the cinema *(a veces vamos al cine).*
We rarely eat bananas *(raras veces comemos plátanos).*
We normally see TV after dinner *(normalmente, vemos la televisión después de cenar).*
We usually visit grandma on Sundays *(usualmente, visitamos a la abuela los domingos).*
EXERCISE 10

Complete these sentences with a suitable adverb of time.

a) We go skating ____________________________ .

b) We buy a big Christmas tree ____________________________ .

c) Jane comes to lunch ____________________________ .

d) We are studying English ____________________________ .

e) It is my birthday ____________________________ .

f) I am doing my homework ____________________________ .

g) We went to London ____________________________ .

h) We visited grandma ____________________________ .

i) I am going to Ibiza ____________________________ .

j) We are travelling to Rome ____________________________ .

k) I have a maths class ____________________________ .

l) We are going to play golf ____________________________ .

2. Put the frequency adverb in the correct place in the sentence.

a) I do my homework before supper. (always)

b) I drink coffee in the evening. (never)

c) We go to the theatre. (often)

d) I eat green tomatoes. (rarely)

e) She goes to bed early. (normally)

f) We have lunch with grandma on Sundays. (usually)

g) I go swimming with Barbara. (sometimes)

h) We drink a lot of water with our meals. (always)

i) He is late for class. (never)

j) It snows in winter. (sometimes)
11. EL COMPARATIVO DEL ADJETIVO - COMPARATIVE ADJECTIVES

A  EL GRADO DE IGUALDAD:  Tan  Como  
     As - As

Si dos personas son igual de altas, decimos:

– Tom is as tall as Bob.

– Sandra is as intelligent as Betty.

Para decir que alguien no es tan alto como otro cambiamos el primer “as” por “so”:

– Bob is not so tall as Dan.

Sin embargo, hoy día se acepta as – as en las frases negativas como correcto.

*Para formar los demás grados de los comparativos tenemos tener en cuenta si el adjetivo es corto o si es largo.

El adjetivo corto es aquel que tiene una o dos sílabas, y el adjetivo largo, el que tiene tres o más.

B  EL GRADO DE SUPERIORIDAD  Más  Que  
     More  Than

Si el adjetivo es largo, ponemos more……than

Ejemplo:
– Tom is more intelligent than Bob

*Pero si el adjetivo es corto, suprimimos “more” y al adjetivo le añadimos “-er”.

Ejemplo: “Short” (corto)
– The pencil is shorter than the ruler.

Si el adjetivo corto termina en consonante precedida por una sola vocal, doblamos la consonante y añadimos “-er”.

Ejemplo: “Big”(grande)
– The palace is bigger than the church.

Si el adjetivo corto termina en “y”, la cambiamos por una “i” y añadimos “-er”.

Ejemplo: “Pretty” (guapa)
Susan is prettier than Dora.
EL GRADO SUPERLATIVO

Si el adjetivo es largo, ponemos: **El más**

*The most*

**Ejemplo:** ‘Beautiful’ (muy guapa)
– Sandra is the most beautiful in the family.

Pero si el adjetivo es corto suprimimos “most” y al adjetivo le añadimos “-est”.

**Ejemplo:** “Thick” (grueso)
– The Bible is the thickest book in the library.

Si el adjetivo corto termina en consonante prececedida por una sola vocal, doblamos la consonante y añadimos “-est”.

**Ejemplo:** “Fat” (Gorda)
– Nancy is the fattest in our class.

Si el adjetivo termina en “y” la cambiamos por una “i” y añadimos “-est”.

**Ejemplo:** “Easy”(Fácil)
– French is the easiest subject to study.

*Los adjetivos siguientes no observan estas reglas para formar sus comparativos; por eso se les llama “comparativos irregulares”:

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**Ejemplo:**
– John is as good as Tom at speaking English.
– James is better but Bob is the best.

– My exams results are as bad as Susan’s.
– Marks are worse but Peter’s are the worst.
EXERCISE 11

1. Write these sentences in the comparative and superlative forms in your notebook.

Example: Beth is as old as Susan.
They are older than Sandra.
Sarah is the oldest.

a) Jane is as tall as her sister.

b) June is as warm as July.

c) The pencil is as short as the pen.

d) Peter is as thin as Daniel.

e) The dish is as dirty as the cup.

f) Betty is as pretty as Tania.

g) Monica is as intelligent as Rose.

h) The red rose is as beautiful as the pink rose.

i) The chocolate cake is as good as the apple pie.

j) This meat is as bad as the ham.

k) December is as cold as January.

l) The cake is as soft as the pudding.

m) Daniel is as clever as Sammy.

n) Science is as interesting as maths.

o) The motorbike is as fast as the racing car.

p) The dress is as expensive as the skirt.

q) The chair is as old as the table.

r) The hamster is as fat as the mouse.
### ANSWERS

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EXERCISE 8

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   a) only a little
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   j) only a little
   k) only a few

2. Suggested answers
   a) No, there aren’t. There are only a few.
   b) No, I don’t. I only drink a little.
   c) No, I don’t. I only watch a few.
   d) No, I don’t. I only buy a few.

EXERCISE 9

A.
   a) played
   b) ate
   c) cooked
   d) painted
   e) got
   f) wrote
   g) went
   h) helped
   i) wanted
   j) bought
   k) sang
   l) drove

B.
   a) is ringing
   b) is writing
   c) is raining
   d) is playing
   e) is cooking
   f) is studying
   g) is shining
   h) am making
   i) are reading
   j) are going

C.
   a) I am going to visit
   b) She is going to come
   c) We are going to fly
   d) I am going to meet
   e) We are going to invite
   f) David is going to buy
   g) They are going to arrive
   h) I am going to make
   i) I am going to do
   j) Our team is going to win

D.
   a) Is grandma a …? / Grandma isn’t a …
   b) Are these two boys …? / These two boys aren’t …
   c) Is it raining …? / It isn’t raining …
   d) Is Sally a …? / Sally isn’t a …
   e) Am I a …? / I am not a …
   f) Is the dog …? / The dog isn’t …
   g) Are the children …? / The children aren’t …
   h) Am I a …? / I am not a …
   i) Are we …? / We are not …
   j) Are my cousins …? / My cousins are not …

E. Suggested answers.
   a) What are you doing?
   b) What are you going to do on Saturday?

F.
   a) Does he go …? / He doesn’t go …
   b) Do we live …? / We don’t live …
   c) Do we eat …? / We don’t eat …
   d) Do they drink …? / They don’t drink …
   e) Does it rain …? / It doesn’t rain …
   f) Does she play …? / She doesn’t play …
   g) Does mum make …? / Mum doesn’t make …
   h) Does he speak …? / She doesn’t speak …
   i) Do nurses work …? / Nurses don’t work …
   j) Do we travel …? / We don’t travel …
   k) Does my father …? / My father doesn’t …
   l) Does Rose go …? / Rose doesn’t go …
   m) Does my cousin draw…? / My cousin doesn’t draw…
G.
a) Did the train leave ...? / The train didn’t leave ...
b) Did it snow ...? / It didn’t snow ...
c) Did Jane invite ...? / Jane didn’t invite ...
d) Did Sarah telephone ...? / Sarah didn’t telephone ...
e) Did we have a ..? / We didn’t have a ...
f) Did Susan win ...? / Susan didn’t win ...
g) Did Beth meet ...? / Beth didn’t meet ...
h) Did Rachel give ...? / Rachel didn’t give ...
i) Did mum cut ...? / Mum didn’t cut ...
j) Did grandma write ...? / Grandma didn’t write ...
k) Did I visit ...? / I didn’t visit ...
l) Did John win ...? / John didn’t win ...
m) Did I buy a ...? / I didn’t buy ...
n) Did Daniel break ...? / Daniel didn’t break ...

EXERCISE 10

1. Suggested answers
a) every week
b) every Christmas
c) every Sunday
d) this year
e) next April
f) now
g) last winter
h) last Saturday
i) next summer
j) next week
k) every day
l) tomorrow

2.
a) I always do
b) I never drink
c) We often go
d) I rarely eat
e) She normally goes
f) We usually have
g) I sometimes go
h) We always drink
i) He is never late
j) It sometimes snows

EXERCISE 11

Suggested answers.
a) They are taller than Sally.
   Beth is the tallest.
b) They are warmer than September.
   August is the warmest.
c) They are shorter than the ruler.
   The rubber is the shortest.
d) They are thinner than David.
   Robert is the thinnest.
e) They are dirtier than the dish.
   The tray is the dirtiest.
f) They are prettier than Elizabeth.
   Sarah is the prettiest.
g) They are more intelligent than Susan.
   Linda is the most intelligent.
h) They are more beautiful than the yellow rose.
   The purple rose is the most beautiful.
i) They are better than the biscuits.
   The ice cream is the best.
j) They are worse than the sausages.
   The chops are the worst.
k) They are colder than March.
   February is the coldest.
l) They are softer than the apple pie.
   The ice cream is the softest.
m) They are cleverer than Peter.
   David is the cleverest.

n) They are more interesting than P.E.
   History is the most interesting.
o) They are faster than the bicycle.
   The train is the fastest.
p) They are more expensive than the jacket.
   The coat is the most expensive.
q) They are older than the sofa.
   The cupboard is the oldest.
r) They are fatter than the spider.
   The cat is the fattest.