

Spanish 1 preliminary study guide.

Comprehensive summary of the skills covered (I still have to check that all skills are included, but if I have to add more, they won't be more than three or four).

The really important ones are in bold.

Artículos definidos **Definite articles**

El, la, los, las. Which are masculine and feminine and when to use them.

Artículos indefinidos **Indefinite articles**

Un, una, unos, unas. Which are masculine and feminine and when to use them

Singulares, plurales **Singulars, plurals**

For any word that has been studied, you have to tell if they are singular and plural and how to change from one to the other. Also some words that don't change.

Masculinos, femeninos **Masculines and feminine**

For any word that has been studied, you have to know if they are masculine or feminine.

Primera, segunda y tercera conjugaciones **First, second and third conjugations**

For any regular verb that has been studied, you have to be capable of conjugating the non-personal forms, the present and the present perfect (pretérito perfecto compuesto).

Numeros **Numbers**

Numbers between 0 and 100 must be mastered.

Los ocho verbos principales **The eight main verbs**

All eight verbs must be known in present, non-personal forms and present perfect (pretérito perfecto compuesto)

Verbos reflexivos y pronominales **Reflexive and pronominal verbs**

Some pronominal verbs have been studied, a few of them are also reflexive. You must know how to use the ones that have been studied and how to handle a new verb when you are told that it is pronominal.

Negaciones **Negatives**

You must know how to build negative sentences.

Interrogaciones **Interrogatives**

You must know how to build interrogative sentences, both with and without interrogative pronoun.

Pret. perfecto compuesto **Present perfect**

Already mentioned in the "First, second and third conjugations" item.

Perífrasis de habilidad **Ability**

You must know how to say "I can play the piano" and such sentences where the verb "poder" is in present and followed by another verb.

Perífrasis de voluntad **Will periphrasis**

You must know how to express will using “querer” followed by another verb or noun. For example “quiero un bocadillo” or “ella quiere beber agua”

Perífrasis de intención Intention periphrasis

You must know how to express things that are going to happen, such as “voy a enviar un email” using the verb “ir”.

Perífrasis de obligación Obligation periphrasis

You must know how to express obligation using the verb “tener” such as “tengo que reparar mi ordenador”.

Pronombres objeto Object pronouns

You must know how to use the object pronouns when a person or thing receives the action of the verb, for example “I see her” : “yo la veo” or “I buy it” “yo lo compro”

Artículos demostrativos Demonstrative articles

You must know how to use the demonstrative articles equivalent to “this” and “that” as well as the others that express an object that is further.

Artículos posesivos Possessive articles

You must know how to use the articles that express belonging, such as “nuestro padre es abogado” or “tus zapatos son rojos”

Hay There is

You must know how to express the existence or location of objects using “hay”, for example in “hay un vaso de agua sobre la mesa”

Usted/ustedes Polite form of “you”

You must learn how to use “usted” and how the verb changes when you do, for example in “Canta usted muy bien” or “ayúdeme, por favor”

Preposiciones Prepositions

You must know some of the basic prepositions used to describe where objects are relative to each other, such as, but not limited to, “en”, “sobre”, “bajo”, “entre” “junto a”, “al lado de”, “enfrente de”, “encima de”, “delante de” or “detrás de”