

# Preferir, poder, and probar

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tú	prefieres	vosotros(as)	preferís
Ud., él, ella	prefiere	Uds., ellos, ellas	prefieren

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¿Prefieres jugo o leche?

*Do you prefer juice or milk?*

¿Prefieres salir o ver televisión?

*Would you rather go out or watch TV?*

## Poder

- The verbs **poder** and **probar** have an **o** → **ue** stem change.

yo	<b>pu</b> edo	nosotros(as)	podemos
tú	<b>pu</b> edes	vosotros(as)	podéis
Ud., él, ella	<b>pu</b> ede	Uds., ellos, ellas	<b>pu</b> eden

- Poder** is normally followed by an **infinitive** to say what someone *may, is able to, or can do*.

¿Nos **puede traer** otra silla?

*Can you bring us another chair?*

## Probar

- **Probar** means *to try* something, as in *to taste*.

yo	pr <u>ue</u> bo	nosotros(as)	probamos
tú	pr <u>ue</u> bas	vosotros(as)	probáis
Ud., él, ella	pr <u>ue</u> ba	Uds., ellos, ellas	pr <u>ue</u> ban

¿Qué tal si **pruebas** la sopa? *How about trying the soup?*