

The present tense of the verb ser

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Conjugating ser

- In Spanish, a verb has different forms to tell you who the subject is.
- Changing a verb form so that it matches its subject is called **conjugating**.

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Conjugating ser

This is the conjugation of the verb **ser** (*to be*).

yo	soy	<i>I am</i>	nosotros(as)	somos	<i>we are</i>
tú	eres	<i>you are</i>	vosotros(as)	sois	<i>you are</i>
usted	es	<i>you are</i>	ustedes	son	<i>you are</i>
él	es	<i>he is</i>	ellos	son	<i>they are</i>
ella	es	<i>she is</i>	ellas	son	<i>they are</i>

Nouns and names of people

With nouns and names of people, use the same form of **ser** as for **él/ella** or **ellos/ellas**.

Mi profesora es de Cuba.

My teacher is from Cuba.

Juan y Carlos son de España.

Juan and Carlos are from Spain.

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Negation: no

To make a sentence negative, place **no** in front of the verb.

Mi profesora no es de México. Es de España.
My teacher isn't from Mexico. She's from Spain.

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