

Please remember the following rules:

1. Every sentence must have a *conjugated* verb, which shows who is doing the action.
Remember o, s, a or e, mos, n
2. To make a sentence negative, put “no” before the conjugated verb.
3. To ask a question, put the conjugated verb first, then the subject (pronoun) if needed:
¿Hablas tú? If there is a question word required (quién, qué, cómo, por qué, cuándo, dónde, cuál, cuánto, etc) that should go before the conjugated verb: *¿Quién habla?*
4. With certain verbs (me gusta, necesito), you don’t have to change the verb that follow, as long as there is no change of subject. Me gusta cantar = I like to sing; Necesito estudiar = I need to study.
5. Any adjective used to describe a plural noun must be made plural by adding “s” or “es”. If the adjective ends in o and is used to describe a feminine noun, the “o” must be changed to “a”
6. The = el (masc), la (fem), los (masc plural) or las (feminine plural). A = un (masc), una (fem).
7. When expressing the idea of “on” with days of the week (On Monday), use “el” (el lunes). If it happens every Monday, use “los” (on Mondays = los lunes)
8. To say “at” with time, use “a las” (“a la” for 1:00 only). At 4:00 = a las cuatro.
9. There is no ‘s in Spanish. You have to use “de”. John’s book = el libro de John. You can also use possessive adjectives (my = mi, your (fam)= tu, his / her / your (form) = su, our = nuestro / nuestra, their / your (plural) = su). Each of these has a plural form if you are describing something that is plural: my dog = mi perro; my dogs = *mis perros*.
10. and = y, or = o

Ok, let’s practice:

1. The beautiful girl opens the door on Monday.
2. We don’t learn French in Spanish class.
3. They eat chocolate on Saturdays.
4. I don’t sell black notebooks.
5. Do you drink water at school? (at = en)
6. We live in a big blue house (casa).
7. He doesn’t believe the teacher.
8. We cover our papers during (durante) the test (el examen).
9. Who answers the student?
10. What do you read in English class on Thursday?
11. Why do they sweep the classroom?
12. Where does she attend school?
13. When do you run?
14. How many pencils do you divide?
15. We don’t go up the stairs (las escaleras).