Objeto indirecto

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To use an indirect object pronoun in Spanish, you first need to identify the indirect object in the sentence. The indirect object is the person or thing to or for whom the action of the verb is being done.

For example, in the sentence "Juan le dio el libro a María" (Juan gave the book to María), "María" is the indirect object because she is the person to whom the book is being given.

To replace the indirect object with a pronoun, you would use the appropriate indirect object pronoun depending on the person or thing receiving the action.

Here are the indirect object pronouns in Spanish:

- me (to/for me)
- te (to/for you, informal)
- le (to/for him/her/you, formal)
- nos (to/for us)
- os (to/for you all, informal)
- les (to/for them/you all, formal)





So, to replace "María" in the previous example with an indirect object pronoun, you would use "le" to say "Juan le dio el libro" (Juan gave her the book).

It's important to note that indirect object pronouns typically come before the verb in Spanish. So the correct word order would be "Juan le dio el libro" instead of "Juan dio le el libro".





Examples

Yo le compré un regalo a mi hermano. (I bought a gift for my brother.) In this sentence, the indirect object is "mi hermano" (my brother). To replace it with an indirect object pronoun, you would use "le". So the sentence with the pronoun would be "Yo le compré un regalo".

¿Le prestaste el dinero a María? (Did you lend the money to María?) In this sentence, the indirect object is "María". To replace it with an indirect object pronoun, you would use "le". So the sentence with the pronoun would be "¿Le prestaste el dinero?"

Ella les habló a sus amigos por teléfono. (She spoke to her friends on the phone.)In this sentence, the indirect object is "sus amigos" (her friends). To replace it with an indirect object pronoun, you would use "les". So the sentence with the pronoun would be "Ella les habló por teléfono".





Examples

Nos dieron una sorpresa en la fiesta. (They gave us a surprise at the party.) In this sentence, the indirect object is "nos" (us). This is already an indirect object pronoun, so there's no need to replace it.

¿Os gustaría ir al cine conmigo? (Would you all like to go to the movies with me?) In this sentence, the indirect object is "conmigo" (with me). To replace it with an indirect object pronoun, you would use "os". So the sentence with the pronoun would be "¿Os gustaría ir al cine conmigo?".



Position:







Rewrite the following sentences using an indirect object pronoun:

- 1. Yo compré un regalo para mi mamá. (I bought a gift for my mom.)
- 2. María dio un beso a su novio. (María gave a kiss to her boyfriend.)
- 3. Tú prestaste la bicicleta a tu hermano. **(You lent the bike to your brother.)**
- 4. Mi abuela me compró una camisa nueva. (My grandmother bought me a new shirt.)
- 5. Yo dije la verdad a mi maestro. (I told the truth to my teacher.)
- 6. Ellos ofrecieron una cena a sus amigos. (They offered a dinner to their friends.)





Translate the following sentences into Spanish using an indirect object pronoun:

- 1. I lent my brother some money.
- 2. She sent a postcard to her best friend.
- 3. We gave our teacher a present for Teacher's Day.
- 4. They gave me a present for my birthday.
- 5. She wrote a letter to her grandmother.
- 6. He sent a text message to his girlfriend.



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Exercises

- Write 5 sentence about a gift you gave someone using an indirect object pronoun.
 Example: Le compré un libro a mi hermana. (I bought a book for my sister.)
- Write 5 sentence about lending something to someone using an indirect object pronoun.
 Example: Le presté mi bicicleta a mi amigo. (I lent my bike to my friend.)
- Write 5 sentence about a message you sent to someone using an indirect object pronoun.
 Example: Le mandé un correo electrónico a mi jefe. (I sent an email to my boss.)







1. Write 3 sentence about telling someone something using an indirect object pronoun.

Example: Le dije la verdad a mi amiga. (I told the truth to my friend.)

2. Write 3 sentence about offering something to someone using an indirect object pronoun.

Example: Les ofrecí un café a mis invitados. (I offered coffee to my guests.)

