

Rosa's Opinion Phrases: Expressing Thoughts in Spanish

Learning objective: To master Spanish opinion phrases and justify choices using higher-order vocabulary and grammatical connectives.

Use these flashcards to practise expressing your preferences in Spanish. Rosa the parrot suggests using these phrases to build complex sentences. For the Greater Depth challenge, try to link two phrases together using 'pero' (but) or 'porque' (because).

Me encanta I love it	Me gusta I like it
No me gusta I do not like it	Detesto I detest / I hate it
Prefiero I prefer	Opino que... es divertido I am of the opinion that... it is fun
Opino que... es aburrido I am of the opinion that... it is boring	Porque Because
Pero But	Explica por qué: Why might someone use 'prefiero' instead of 'me gusta'? 'Prefiero' expresses a comparison between two or more items, whereas 'me gusta' expresses a general preference for a single item.
Justify your answer: Is 'detesto' a stronger opinion than 'no me gusta'? Explain your reasoning. Yes, 'detesto' conveys a much stronger emotional intensity compared to the simple negation of 'no me gusta'.	What might happen if you use 'porque' without a following explanation? The sentence would be grammatically incomplete as 'porque' is a subordinating conjunction that requires a supporting reason or clause to finish the thought.