

Rosa's Time-Travelling Verb Adventure

Learning objective: To conjugate high-frequency Spanish verbs in the present, past (preterite), and future tenses, and understand their usage in sentences.

Rosa the parrot is an expert linguist! She has hidden three 'Time Capsules' filled with verbs. Your task is to sort the Spanish verb cards into the correct tense categories (Present, Past, Future) and then use them to build complex sentences. Fill in the blanks below to help Rosa complete her travel journal.

Word bank: como (I eat) · comí (I ate) · comeré (I will eat) · hablo (I speak) · hablé (I spoke) · hablaré (I will speak) · viajo (I travel) · viajé (I travelled) · viajaré (I will travel)

1. Rosa is currently in Madrid. Write a sentence using 'viajo' to describe what she does today, and 'viajé' to describe her trip last month. Why does the verb ending change? (2 marks)

2. Complete this sentence: 'Mañana (tomorrow), yo _____ con mis amigos.' Explain why you chose this specific future tense verb form. (2 marks)

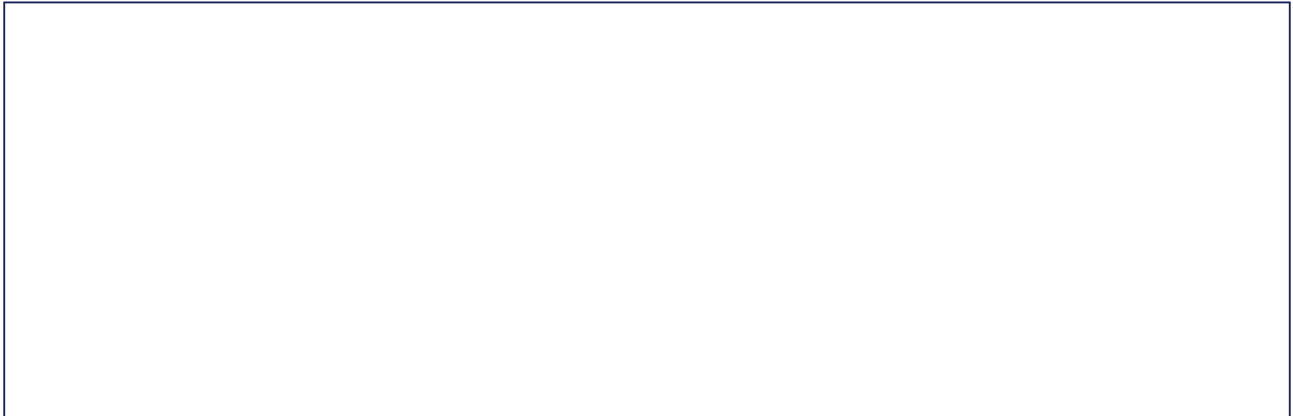
3. Compare and contrast: How does the meaning of 'hablo' differ from 'hablaré'? Justify your answer by referencing the time frame of each action. (2 marks)

4. If a Spanish speaker says 'Ayer, yo comí una manzana', identify the tense used. What might happen to the meaning of the sentence if you changed 'comí' to 'como'? (2 marks)

5. Create a new sentence using the verb 'estudiar' (to study) in the future tense ('estudiaré'). What is the root of the verb, and how does the ending change to show it is in the future? (2 marks)

6. Translate this phrase into English: 'Yo viajaré a España y hablaré español.' Now, rewrite it as if the action happened yesterday. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of Rosa the parrot wearing a small explorer's hat. Divide your page into three sections: 'Past' (showing a memory), 'Present' (showing her current location), and 'Future' (showing her dreaming of her next destination). Label each section with the correct Spanish tense.



Extension challenge: Imagine you are writing a letter to a friend in Spain. Write a short paragraph (4-5 sentences) describing your daily routine using present tense verbs, one thing you did yesterday using past tense, and one goal for your summer holiday using future tense. Use at least three different 'ar' or 'er' verbs.