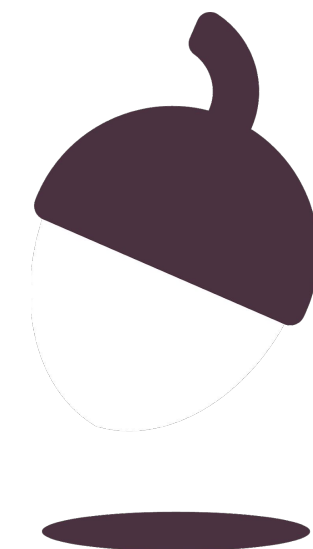


Spanish

Things you do to and for yourself [1/2]

- *Using verbs reflexively: first person singular*

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Things you do to and for yourself

- Phonics focus [ci] [ce]
- Introducing vocabulary
- Using verbs reflexively
- Deepening understanding: reading and listening skills
- Spontaneous translation
- Writing skills
- Summarising learning



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sacar	to take, taking
quemar	to burn, burning
lavar	to wash, washing
llamar	to call, calling
escribir	to write, writing
despertar	to wake up, waking up
levantar	to get up, getting up
el abuelo	grandfather
preparar	to prepare, preparing



Doing something to yourself : Reflexive 'me'

Sometimes, the 'doer' (subject) and 'receiver' (object) of an action are the same person.

For example, '**I** call **myself**' or '**he** prepares **himself**'

Words like 'myself' or 'himself' are called **reflexive pronouns**.

Spanish also has reflexive pronouns.

When you do something to yourself, use '**me**' before a verb.

Look at the difference between:

Lavo el coche	<input type="checkbox"/> I wash the car
<u>Me</u> lavo	<input type="checkbox"/> I wash myself

Something to know for later!
Reflexive pronouns can go **after**
the infinitive form of a verb.
For now, we will just practise
reflexives when they come
before verbs.



Almost *any* verb can be ‘reflexive’!

hablar - to talk

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| hablo con mi amigo | <input type="checkbox"/> I talk with my friend |
| me hablo | <input type="checkbox"/> I talk to myself |

sacar fotos – to take photos

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|------------------------|---|
| saco fotos de mi amigo | <input type="checkbox"/> I take photos of my friend |
| me saco fotos | <input type="checkbox"/> I take photos of myself |

escribir – to write

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| escribo a mi hermano | <input type="checkbox"/> I write to my brother |
| me escribo | <input type="checkbox"/> I write to myself |



lavar – to wash

lavo el perro

☐ I wash the dog

me lavo

☐ I wash [myself]

In English, we don't always say the reflexive pronoun!

The 'reflexive meaning' is just assumed.

levantar – to lift / get up / raise

levanto la mano

☐ I lift up/raise my hand

me levanto

☐ I get [myself] up

despertar – to wake up

despierto a mi madre

☐ I wake my mum up

me despierto

☐ I wake [myself] up



Summary

1. Words like 'myself' and 'himself' are called: **Reflexive pronouns**
2. For 'myself' use: **'me'**
3. 'Me' needs to go before/after the verb. **before**
4. Translate: "me preparo un café" **"I prepare myself a coffee".**
5. "I wake myself up" is: **"me despierto".**

