

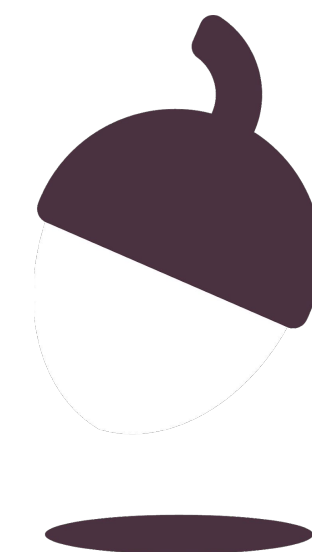
Spanish

Talk about illness and injury (Part 1 / 3)

- When to use *desde* and *desde hace*

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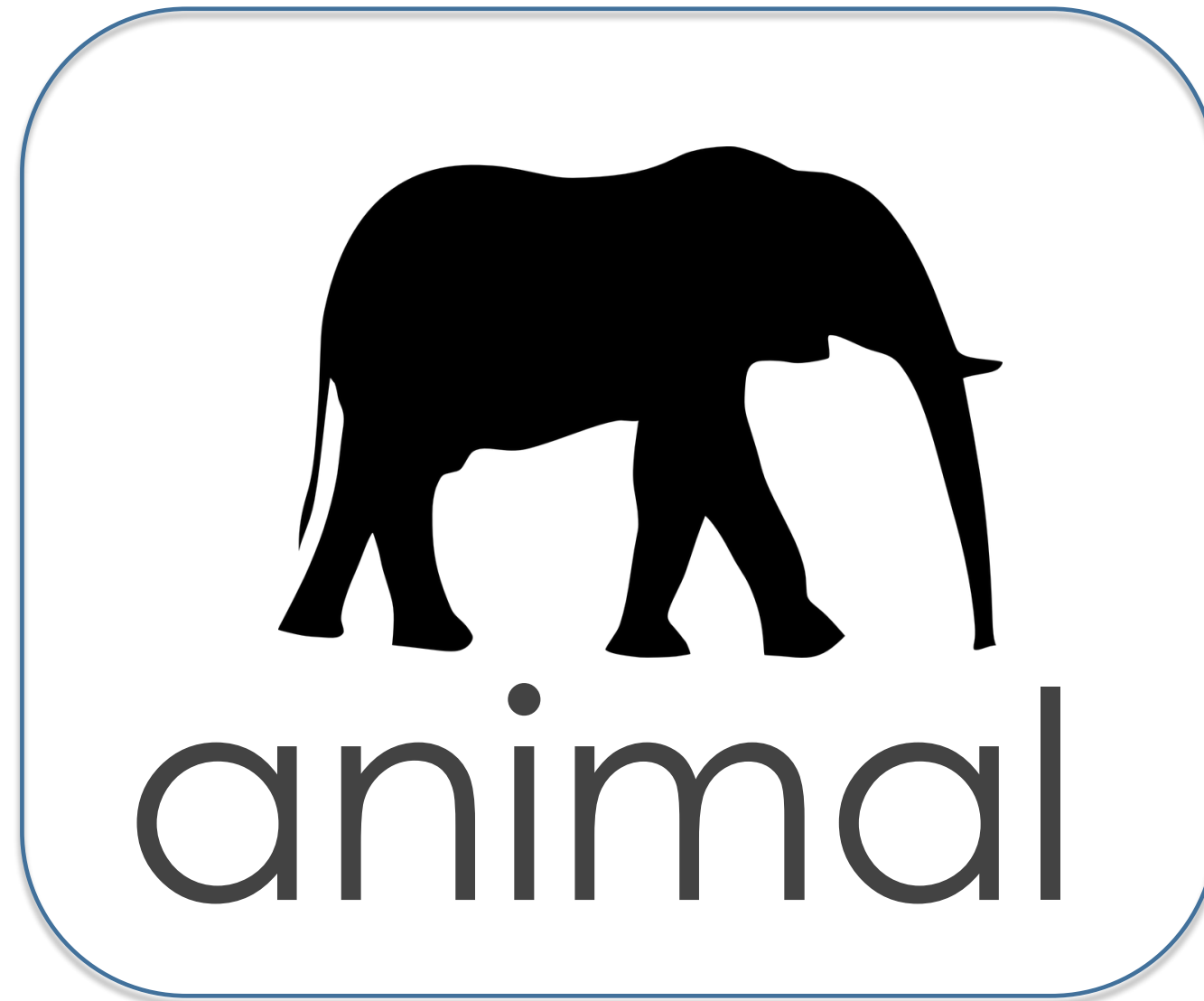
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**No accent if the final syllable ends
in consonant other than [n] or [s]**





sol

Final syllable stress



hogar



flor



amor

[love]



ciudad



desde hace	for (a period of time)
doler	To hurt
el resfriado	cold
el sueño	sleep, sleepiness,
la tos	cough
la insolación	sunstroke
cansado/a	tired
enfermo/a	ill



When to use *desde* and *desde hace*

In Spanish, there are two ways to say how long you have had an illness:

desde and desde hace

Use desde to say how long you have had an illness from a concrete time point.

I've had a cold since yesterday.
Tengo tos **desde** ayer.

Use desde hace to say how long you have had an illness for a period of time.

I've had a cold for a week.
Tengo tos **desde hace** una semana.





Translation Practice

Copy the sentences below and translate them into English.

- 1.** Tengo tos desde la semana pasada.
- 2.** Jaime y yo tenemos fiebre desde hace un día.
- 3.** Elena y Marisol tienen un resfriado desde ayer.
- 4.** Javier tiene insolación desde el miércoles pasado.
- 5.** Tengo mucho sueño desde hace un mes.





Respuestas

1. I've had a cough since last week.
2. Jaime and I have had a fever for a day.
3. Elena and Marisol have had a cold since yesterday.
4. Javier has had sunstroke since last Wednesday.
5. I've been very sleepy for a month.



Respuestas

1. To say how long you've had an illness for a period of time, use desde hace.
2. "Desde" is used for a concrete point of time.
3. The verb "to hurt" is doler.
4. "Tengo tos desde hace una semana" is
I've had a cold for a week
5. "*Tengo fiebre desde ayer*" is:
I've had a fever since yesterday

