

Spanish

- **Saying what people can and must do**
- ***PODER* and *DEBER* (singular persons)**

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pedir	to ask for, asking for
preguntar	to ask, asking
cambiar	to change, changing
jugar	to play, playing
el favor	favour
el compañero	classmate
participar	to participate, participating
el material	material
sacar	to take out, taking out



poder

[can | to be able to]

puede

[s/he can | s/he is able to]



puedes

[you can | you are able to]

¿**Puedes** trabajar con un compañero?

[**Can you** work with a classmate?]



debo

[I must | I have to]

debe

[s/he must | s/he has to]



debes

[you must | you have to]

Debes llegar temprano a clase.

[You **must** / **have to** arrive early to class].



Summary

1. The verb **poder** means 'can/to be able to'
2. 'To have to/must' is **deber**
3. **Deber** and **poder** must be followed by the infinitive form of the verb.
4. 'Puedes preguntar' is 'you can ask'.
5. 'Debe cambiar' is 'he/she must change'.

