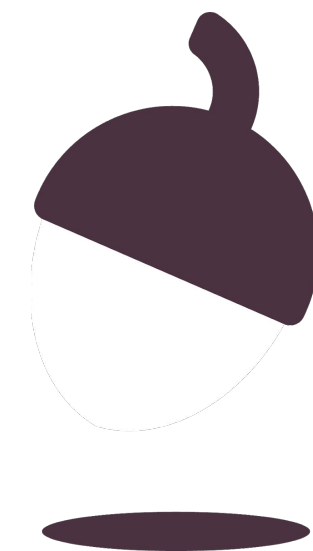


Spanish

Saying what we do for other people [2/2]

- *Indirect object pronouns*

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el apoyo	support
la ayuda	help
preparar	to prepare, preparing
regalar	to give, giving (as a gift)
el coche	car
el reloj	watch
enviar	to send, sending



Indirect object pronouns (IOP)- to/for him/her

The indirect object tells you who the direct object is given to or who it is for.

I buy **the present** for **my brother**

direct object

indirect object

I buy the book for **him**.

IOP

I give **the present** to **my sister**

direct object

indirect object

I give the book to **her**.

IOP



Indirect object pronouns (IOP)- to/for him/her

In Spanish, the indirect object pronoun can come before the conjugated verb.

dar a	to give to	me da su apoyo	S/he gives his support to me
		te doy mi apoyo	I give my support to you
		le doy mi apoyo	I give my support to him/her

Sometimes in English we miss out “**to/for**”

te doy mi apoyo	I give you my support.
le doy mi apoyo	I give him/her my support.



Indirect object pronouns (IOP)- to/for him/her

Read this sentence:

Le **compro** un regalo → **I buy** him a present.

What is the verb in the sentence?

What word shows who the action is happening to/for?

Now compare with this:

Le **compras** un regalo → **You** buy him a present.

The IOP has stayed the same but the verb changes depending who does the action.



Present tense regular verb endings: singular persons

Using -ar verbs in the present

I	-o
you	-as
he/she/it	-a

Using -er/ir verbs in the present

I	-o
you	-es
he/she/it	-e



Summary

1. Indirect object pronouns (from this lesson) in Spanish are: **me/te/le**
2. The indirect object tells you who the direct object is to or for in a sentence. **True/False**
3. “Me das un regalo” is:
“You give a present to me” or
“You give me a present”
4. “Me da un regalo” is:
“He/she gives a present to me” or
“He/she gives me_a present”
5. “I buy him a watch” is:
“Le compro un reloj”.

