

Spanish

# Talking about pros and cons of where you live [1/3]

- Using 'tan' + adjectives
- Using 'tanto/a/os/as' + nouns

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nosotros



tener

[to have,  
having]

[n]



poner



planta



	<b>Word</b>	<b>English meaning</b>
<b>1</b>	la red de transporte	transport network
<b>2</b>	el atasco	traffic jam
<b>3</b>	la zona	area
<b>4</b>	la ruta	route
<b>5</b>	la fábrica	factory
<b>6</b>	el tráfico	traffic
<b>7</b>	tanto	so much
<b>8</b>	la diversión	fun, amusement
<b>9</b>	el espacio	space
<b>10</b>	desplazarse	to get around, getting around



# **tan + adjective**

‘**tan**’ means **so**.

We use ‘**tan**’ before adjectives in exclamatory sentences.

## Ejemplos

No me gusta mi ciudad. ¡Es **tan** ruidosa!

*I don't like my city. It's **so** noisy!*

Me gusta mi barrio. ¡Es **tan** tranquilo!

*I like my neighbourhood. It's **so** quiet!*

Use an infinitive verb  
after the adjective.  
¡Es **tan** fácil **desplazarse**!  
It's **so** easy **to get around!**



# tanto/a/os/as + nouns

'**tanto/a/os/as**' means **so much / so many**.

We use '**tanto/a/os/as**' before nouns in exclamatory sentences.

It agrees with the noun it accompanies.

With **mASCULINE** and **sINGULAR** nouns we use **tANTO**.

With **mASCULINE** and **PLURAL** nouns we use **tANTOS**.

With **fEMININE** and **sINGULAR** nouns we use **tANTA**.

With **fEMININE** and **PLURAL** nouns we use **tANTAS**.

## Ejemplos

No me gusta mi ciudad. ¡Hay **tANTO** tráfico! → *I don't like my city. There's so much traffic!*

Odio mi zona ¡Hay **tANTAS** fábricas! → *I hate my area. There are so many factories!*



# **tan VS. tanto/a/os/as**

We use **es** or **está** followed by **tan** and an **adjective**.

Remember to use '**es**' for **permanent traits** and '**está**' for **temporary states/conditions** or **locations**.

We use **hay** followed by **tanto/a/os/as** and a **noun**.

## **tan**

¡Es **tan** ruidosa!

It's **so** noisy!

¡Todo **está tan** lejos!

Everything is **so** far!

## **tanto/a/os/as**

- ¡Hay **tanta** diversión!  
There's **so much** fun!
- ¡Hay **tantos** parques!  
There are **so many** parks!



# **tan ... que ... / tanto .... que .... (so/so much/many ... that ...)**

Use '**tan** (+ adjective) **que** (+ verb) to talk about **an effect or a consequence**. The consequence is expressed after '**que**'.

## **Ejemplo**

Es **tan** grande **que** no **puedes** caminar.

*It's so big **that** you cannot walk.*

This also applies to '**tanto/a/os/as**'.

## **Ejemplo**

Hay **tantas** diversiones **que** no **puedo** aburrirme.

*There's so much fun **that** I cannot get bored.*

Be careful **not to confuse** this structure **with the comparative structure**: tan + adjective + como ( as + adjective/adverb + as).



# Empareja los números con las letras

1. We use 'tan' before adjectives in exclamatory sentences.
  2. We use 'tantos/as/os/as' before nouns in exclamatory sentences.
  3. ¡Hay tanto tráfico!
  4. ¡Hay tanta contaminación!
  5. Está tan lejos que no puedo ir a pie.
- a) nouns
  - b) tanto
  - c) que
  - d) tanta
  - e) adjectives



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