

## SCENE 12 • GRAMMAR

# Once, veinte, veintidós

Numbers beyond ten and singular/plural prices

5 Exercises • Duration: 15 min.

The café

Spanish

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## Eleven to nineteen

Learn **once**, **doce**, **trece**, **catorce** and **quince**. Then **dieciséis**, **diecisiete**, **dieciocho**, **diecinueve**. Keep the accent in **dieciséis**.

## Twenty and the tens

**Veinte** becomes joined forms: **veintiuno**, **veintidós**, **veintitrés**.

From thirty, use **tens + y + units**: **treinta y dos**, **cuarenta y cinco**. A number is not an English-style adjective ending.

### TENS

| Number | Form             |
|--------|------------------|
| 20     | <b>veinte</b>    |
| 30     | <b>treinta</b>   |
| 40     | <b>cuarenta</b>  |
| 50     | <b>cincuenta</b> |
| 60     | <b>sesenta</b>   |
| 70     | <b>setenta</b>   |
| 80     | <b>ochenta</b>   |
| 90     | <b>noventa</b>   |
| 100    | <b>cien</b>      |

## A price can use singular or plural

**Un café cuesta dos euros. Dos cafés cuestan cuatro euros.** For the total, the usual phrase is **Son cinco euros.** It refers to the amount, not to your gender.

### GRAMMAR

#### G1) CHOOSE THE FORM FOR THE MESSAGE

Choose the right word for the gap.

1  $10 + 2 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ .

- ☐ A veinte
- ☐ B doce
- ☐ C once

Meaning: Ten plus two is twelve.

2  $20 + 2 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ .

- ☐ A treinta
- ☐ B veintidós
- ☐ C doce

Meaning: Twenty plus two is twenty-two.

**3 Dos cafés \_\_\_\_\_ cuatro euros.**

- ☐ A costar
- ☐ B cuestan
- ☐ C cuesta

Meaning: Two coffees cost four euros.

**G2) COMPLETE A USEFUL EXCHANGE**

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

cuesta   cuestan

Un desayuno \_\_\_\_\_ cinco euros.

Meaning: A breakfast costs five euros.

32   23

Treinta y dos: \_\_\_\_\_.

Meaning: Thirty-two: 32.

16 60

Dieciséis: \_\_\_\_\_.

Meaning: Sixteen: 16.

### G3) PUT THE MESSAGE TOGETHER

Put the words in order.

1 euros. Son veinte

\_\_\_\_\_

Meaning: It is twenty euros.

2 por Dos favor. huevos,

\_\_\_\_\_

Meaning: Two eggs, please.

3

mesa

La

doce

aquí.

está

Meaning: Table twelve is here.

**G4) CONNECT THE MESSAGE AND ITS MEANING**

Match the pairs.

① dieciséis

A 16

② treinta y dos

B 11

③ once

C 32

**G5) CHECK THE CONTRAST IN A NEW CONTEXT**

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

diez   cinco

Dos desayunos de cinco euros cuestan \_\_\_\_\_ euros.

Meaning: Two five-euro breakfasts cost ten euros.