

Find, describe and make a plan

Module 9: The festival

5 Exercises · Duration: 15 min.

The festival

Spanish

Ordering with pedir and describing the programme

Pedir means ask for/order. It changes **e → i** except in **nosotros** and **vosotros**. This is different from **querer's** **e → ie**. **Pido un café** is I order a coffee; **pido ayuda** is I ask for help.

Searching, finding and negative words

Buscar is look for; **encontrar** is find. Spanish **buscar** does not need a word matching English "for": **Busco la boquilla**. **Encontrar** changes **o → ue**: **encuentro, encuentras, encuentra, encontramos, encontráis, encuentran**.

People as objects and a simple event sequence

For a specific person as the object, Spanish normally uses **a**: **Busco a Tomás, Veo a Clara**. With pets treated as individuals, use it too: **Busco a Michi**. An ordinary object does not take it: **Busco la llave**. This **a** does not mean a destination.

Giving something to someone

Doy la foto a Lucía means I give the photo to Lucía. In everyday Spanish, **Le doy la foto a Lucía** is normal: **le** also identifies the recipient. **Le** can refer to a man, a woman or polite you; **les** refers to plural recipients.

A simple plan with ir a + infinitive

Use **ir + a + infinitive: Voy a enviar una foto**. Only **ir** changes: **vas a**, **va a**, **vamos a**, **vais a**, **van a**. The next verb keeps its dictionary form. A time word clarifies when: **Mañana voy a escribir a Ana**.

GRAMMAR

G1) MIX THE MODULE'S GRAMMAR

Choose the right word for the gap.

Meaning: We order coffee.

1 **Nosotros _____ café.**

- ☐ (A) pedimos
- ☐ (B) piden
- ☐ (C) pidimos

Meaning: I look for Javier.

2 Busco _____ Javier.

- ☐ A la
- ☐ B a
- ☐ C en

Meaning: There is nobody.

3 No hay _____.

- ☐ A nadie
- ☐ B algo
- ☐ C alguien

Meaning: The photos are for Ana. I give her the photos.

4 Las fotos son para Ana. _____ doy las fotos.

- ☐ A La
- ☐ B Le
- ☐ C Los

Meaning: We are going to write.

5 Vamos a _____.

- ☐ A escribimos
- ☐ B escribir
- ☐ C escriben

G2) USE IT IN A NEW CONVERSATION

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

Meaning: I find the key. We find the map.

encontramos encuentro encuentran

Yo _____ la llave. Nosotros _____ el mapa.

Meaning: I give Clara a photo. They give a present.

dan dais doy

Le _____ una foto a Clara. Ellos _____ un regalo.

Meaning: They are going to come. You are going to sing.

vamos vais van

Ellas _____ a venir. Vosotros _____ a cantar.

G3) MAKE CLEAR SHORT MESSAGES

Put the words in order.

Meaning: I cannot find Michi.

- 1 No Michi. a encuentro
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Meaning: First we look at the photos. Then we eat.

- 2 Luego miramos fotos. Primero comemos. las
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Meaning: I am going to send a letter tomorrow.

- 3 mañana. una Voy carta enviar a
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G4) USE THE RIGHT MESSAGE

Choose the right words for the situation.

- 1** You cannot find the mouthpiece. Ask a friend whether they have seen that specific object. You say:

- ☐ A ¿Cuándo es tu cumpleaños?
- ☐ B ¿Ves a la boquilla?
- ☐ C ¿Ves la boquilla?

G5) MAKE THE MESSAGE ABOUT YOURSELF

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

Meaning: I am asleep.

dormido

Lukas: Estoy _____.

Meaning: I am asleep.

dormida

Lena: Estoy _____.

Meaning: I am tired.

cansado

Lukas: Estoy _____.

Meaning: I am tired.

cansada

Lena: Estoy _____.