

Expressing likes and dislikes: Verbs like *Gustar*

Your objective in this lesson is to understand how to use these verbs correctly.



Connecting to what you already know! Match English to Spanish equivalents. Answers on next slide.

- ♦ 1) I like it!
- ♦ 2) I like them
- ♦ 3) He likes to travel.
- ♦ 4) Do you like them?
- ♦ 5) Does she like it?

- a) Le gusta viajar.
- b) Me gustan.
- c) ¿Le gusta?
- d) ¡Me gusta!
- ♦ e) ¿Te gustan?



Clave / Answer Key

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- d) ¡Me gusta!
- b) Me gustan.
- a) Le gusta viajar.
- ♦ e) ¿Te gustan?
- c) ¿Le gusta?



Follow this pattern when using gustar and verbs like gustar:

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Indirect object pronoun (me, te, le(s), nos, os)
+ gusta + singular subject or infinitive
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Indirect object pronoun (me, te, le(s), nos, os) + gustan + plural subject



Examples

- A Doña Cathy le gusta tomar varias tazas de café en la mañana.
- Le gusta el café de sabor muy fuerte.
- También le gustan los lattés de Starbucks.
- No le gusta hablar con nadie hasta que tome su café.





Test yourself! Match the two columns correctly.

- ♦ 1) Doña Cathy likes cats: She likes them.
- ◆ 2) She likes to dance the tango with her husband: She likes it.
- ♦ 3) She likes latin music: She likes it.
- ◆ 4) She likes novels written in Spanish: She likes them.

- a) Le gustan
- ♦ b) Le gusta



Answers:

- ♦ 1) Le gustan. Doña Cathy likes cats. She likes them.
- ♦ 2) Le gusta. She likes to dance the tango with her husband: She likes it.
- ◆ 3) Le gusta. She likes latin music: She likes it.
- ◆ 4) Le gustan. She likes novels written in Spanish: She likes them.



Prepositional Pronouns:

Use to clarify or emphasize the identity of the indirect object pronoun (me, te, le(s), nos, os).

- ♦ A mí me
- ♦ A ti te
- ♦ A él / ella le
- ♦ A Ud. le
- ♦ A nosotros/as nos
- ♦ A vosotros/as os
- ♦ A ellos/as les
- ♦ A Uds. les



Other verbs like gustar

Expressing likes:

Expressing dislikes:

- Encantar
- Fascinar
- Agradar
- Divertir
- Caer bien

- Disgustar
- Fastidiar
- Horrorizar
- Molestar
- Caer mal

You are responsible for looking up the meanings of these verbs. They are used in the novella we are reading.



Use the verbs indicated to give the Spanish equivalents of these sentences. Answers on next and final slide.

- ♦ I love all sports (encantar).
- ◆ Loud music is annoying to me (fastidiar).
- ♦ I like you (caer bien).
- ◆ Marisol is fascinated by art (fascinar).
- Walking in the park appeals to her (agradar).



How did you do?

- Me encantan todos los deportes.
- ♦ Me fastidia la música fuerte.
- ◆ Tú me caes bien. [Ud. me cae bien.]
- ♦ A Marisol le fascina el arte.
- ♦ Le agrada pasear por el parque.