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IV. Mark Your calendars!

1. The days of our lives.

In Spanish the days of the week and the months of the year are never capitalized unless they begin a sentence.

Here are the days of the week and related expressions.

Spanish

Los días(dee-ahs) de la semana(say-mah-nah)

lunes(loo-nays)

martes(mahr-tays)

miércoles(mee-ayr-koh-lays)

jueves(way-bays)

viernes(bee-ayr-nays)

sábado

domingo

El fin(feen) de la semana

¿Qué día es hoy(oy)?

Hoy es...

Ayer(aye-ayr) fue(fway)...

Mañana será(say-rah)...

si(see)...

English

The days of the week.

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Sunday

The weekend.

What (day) is today?

Today is...

Yesterday was...

Tomorrow will be...

if...

If you wanted to say that you regularly do something, like:

'I go to the movies on Fridays', it would be 'Yo voy al cine los viernes'.

You could also put 'los' in front of more than one day of the week or a month:

Yo voy al gimnasio los lunes y los miércoles.

I go to the gym on Mondays and Wednesdays.

Yo no tengo clases los fines de la semana.

I don't have classes on weekends.

¿Qué día es? What day is it?

Fill the blank with a day of the week in Spanish:

1. Si hoy es lunes, mañana será _____.

2. Si hoy es miércoles, mañana será _____.

3. Si hoy es sábado, ayer fue _____.

4. Hoy es _____.

5. _____ y _____ son los días del fin de la semana.

3. I'll have...

When ordering food it's best to say **'Me gustaría'** (may goo-stah-ree-ah) or **'Quisiera'** (kee-see-ayr-ah) then what you desire. 'Me gustaría' and 'Quisiera' both mean 'I would like'. It also wouldn't hurt if you followed it with **'por favor'** (pohr fah-bohr) which means **'please'**. You can use these expressions to be polite for other situations other than ordering food, too.

If you want to get the server's attention, it may be best to say **'señor'** (sehn-yohr) to a waiter and **'señorita'** (sehn-yohr-ee-tah) to a waitress. Those words translate directly to English as **'sir'** and **'miss'**. You could use one of the Spanish words for waiter or waitress, which by the way are **'camarero'** (kah-mah-rayr-oh) or **'camarera'** (kah-mah-rayr-ah). In some other countries they use the words **'mesero'** (mehs-ayr-oh) or **'mesera'** (mehs-ayr-ah) to mean **'waiter'** and **'waitress'** also. However, do you go into a retail store and say, "Excuse me...clerk?" or "Pardon me...cashier?" We usually don't refer to people by their job descriptions, so why do it in Spanish? By the way the word **'señora'** (sehn-yohr-ah) translates directly to English as **'Mrs.'** or **'ma'am'** but you probably wouldn't use it in a restaurant or even a store unless you know that the woman in question is married. When in doubt use **'señorita'** (Miss) just as you would in English.

Here are some other helpful expressions should you go out to dine:

perdóname (payr-dohn-ah-may)	pardon me
disculpame (dis-kool-pah-may)	excuse me
Me gustaría...	I would like...
Quisiera....	I would like...
¿Puede traerme...?(pway-day try-ayr-may)	Could you bring me...?
por favor	please
una cuchara (koo-chahr-ah)	a spoon
un tenedor (tehn-ay-dohr)	a fork
un cuchillo (koo-chee-yoh)	a knife
una servilleta (sayr-bee-yay-tah)	a napkin
unas servilletas	some napkins
la cuenta (kwayn-tah)	the check
una hamburguesa (ahm-boor-gay-sah)	a hamburger
una hamburguesa con queso	a cheeseburger
unas papas fritas (free-tahs)	fries
unas papitas fritas (pah-pee-tahs)	potato chips
con (kohn)	with
sin (seen)	without
hielo (ee-ay-loh)	ice
sal (sahl)	salt
pimienta (pee-mee-ehn-tah)	pepper
más (mahs)	more
mucho/a	extra(a lot of)
¿Hay algo más?(aye ahl-goh mahs)	Is there anything else?
una bocadillo (boh-kah-dee-yoh)	a sandwich
la cebolla (say-boy-yah)	onion
¿Le gustaría Ud....?	Would you like...?
	(server asks you)

(see page 50 for some more food ideas)

4. What an animal!

Here are some animals that you may or may not have as pets:

el perro (payr-roh)	dog
el gato (gah-toh)	cat
el loro (loh-roh)	bird(talking)
el pájaro (pah-hah-roh)	bird
el conejo (koh-nay-hoh)	rabbit
la culebra (koo-lay-brah)	snake
el pez (pays)	fish
los peces (pay-says)	fish(plural)
el caballo (kah-by-yoh)	horse
la tortuga (tohr-too-gah)	turtle
el elefante (ay-lay-fahn-tay)	elephant
el puerco (poo-wayr-koy)	pig
el mono (moh-noh)	monkey
el león (lay-ohn)	lion
el tigre (tee-gray)	tiger
el tiburón (tee-boh-rohn)	shark
la ballena (bay-yay-nah)	whale
la girafa (hee-rah-fah)	giraffe

¿Qué es?

1. Es un reptil largo y delgado, no tiene piernas.

2. Los animales que pueden nadar:

3. El animal que es más peligroso.

4. El animal más grande.

5. El animal más rápido.

6. Más inteligente.

7. Más feo.
