

Future Tense

The future tense is used to tell what “will” happen, or what “shall” happen.

I **will** go to the beach next month.

I **shall** write the letter next week.

But, the future tense is not used to express a willingness to do something. For this, use the verb “querer.”

¿Quieres ir a la tienda?

Will you go to the store?

The future tense is also used to express wonder or probability in the present state.

¿Quién será ella?

I wonder who she is? (Who could she be?)

Estará viajando solo.

He is probably traveling alone.

For actions that will occur in the near future, the present tense is more commonly used.

Esta noche voy al cine.

Tonight I’m going to the movies.

Further in the future, use the future tense.

El año que viene iré a España.

Next year I’m going to Spain.

Regular verbs in the future tense are conjugated by adding the following endings to the infinitive form of the verb: **-é, -ás, -á, -emos, -éis, -án.**

hablaré

hablarás

hablará

hablaremos

hablaréis

hablarán

There are twelve common verbs that are irregular in the future tense. Their endings are regular, but their stems change. Since the endings are the same as all other future tense verbs, we show only the “yo” form, and have underlined the irregular stem. We have also grouped them according to their patterns of change.

caber yo cabré

poner yo pondré

decir yo diré

haber yo habré

salir yo saldré

hacer yo haré

poder yo podré

tener yo tendré

querer..... yo querré
valer..... yo valdré
saber..... yo sabré
venir yo vendré

Note that compound verbs based on the irregular verbs inherit the same irregularities. Here are a few examples:

desquerer..... yo desquerré
resaber..... yo resabré
anteponer..... yo antepondré
mantener..... yo mantendré
prevaler..... yo prevaldré

Let's add two flashcards for the future tense:

Verb Flashcards

88. Future Tense

Infinitive + ending (-é, -ás, -á, -emos, -éis, -án)

89. Future Tense Irregulars

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