

A1.2.3 Gramática: La pronunciación

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Aprendemos a pronunciar algunos sonidos especiales del idioma español.

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Reglas de formación / Formation rules:

1. The "g" before a/o/u (ga/go/gu): is pronounced softly. Example: gasolina
2. The "g" before e/i (ge/gi): is pronounced strongly, like a "j". Example: gimnasio
3. The "gu" with i/e (gui/gue): the "u" is NOT pronounced unless it has a diaeresis.
Example: guitarra
4. The "c" before a/o/u (ca/co/cu): is pronounced like a "k". Example: cama
5. The "c" before e/i (ce/ci): is pronounced like a "z". Example: cima
6. The "qu" with i/e (qui/que): do NOT pronounce the "u", and it sounds like a "k".
Example: queso
7. The "r" can sound like a "rr" at the beginning of the word or after the consonants "l",
"n", "s". Example: rata

Excepciones / Exceptions!

1. The "ñ" is a unique letter in Spanish. Example: "cuna" or "cuña"
2. The "h" is silent except when it has the letter "c" before it ("ch"). Example:
"chocolate" or "huevo".
3. "rr" is strong and "r" is soft in most cases. Example: "perro" or "pero".
4. In Spain, the "s", "c", and "z" have different sounds. However, in Latin America, they
tend to sound similar.

La pronunciación

The pronunciation

Lee los ejemplos en la tabla en voz alta antes de hacer los ejercicios.

Misma pronunciación

g: **girasol** (*sunflower*)

j: **jirafa** (*giraffe*)

c: **cero** (*zero*)

z: **zorro** (*fox*)

y: **hoy** (*today*)

i: **imagen** (*image*)

y: **yate** (*yacht*)

ll: **llave** (*key*)

k: **kiwi** (*kiwi*)

qu: **quimera** (*chimera*)

k: **kayac** (*kayak*)

c: **camión** (*lorry*)

b: **barco** (*boat*)

v: **vaso** (*glass*)

r: **ratón** (*mouse*)

rr: **perro** (*dog*)

Distinta pronunciación

r: **pera** (*pear*)

rr: **tierra** (*earth*)

gu: **guapo** (*handsome*)

gü: **pingüino** (*penguin*)

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