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Learn Spanish B1 – Ser vs. Estar

54 words

#	WORD	MEANING	EXAMPLE SENTENCE (WORD BY WORD)
Ser: who or what something is			
1	**soy de** (ser) origen	I'm from	**Soy de Guadalajara pero vivo en la Ciudad de México** I am from Guadalajara but I live in the City of Mexico *I'm from Guadalajara, but I live in Mexico City.*
2	**es enfermera** (ser) profesión	she's a nurse	**Mi hermana es enfermera en un hospital público** my sister is nurse in a hospital public *My sister is a nurse at a public hospital.*
3	**es alto** (ser) descripción física	he's tall	**Mi novio es alto y tiene el pelo rizado** my boyfriend is tall and has the hair curly *My boyfriend is tall and has curly hair.*
4	**es muy amable** (ser) carácter	she's very kind	**La vecina es muy amable siempre nos saluda** the neighbor is very kind always us greets *The neighbor is very kind, she always says hello to us.*
5	**son las** (ser) la hora	it's (o'clock)	**Ya son las diez y todavía no ha llegado** already are the ten and still not has arrived *It's already ten and he still hasn't arrived.*
6	**hoy es** (ser) el día	today is	**Hoy es miércoles así que hay mercado** today is Wednesday so that there is market *Today is Wednesday, so there's a market.*
7	**es de madera** (ser) material	it's made of wood	**Esta mesa es de madera y la hizo mi abuelo** this table is of wood and it made my grandfather *This table is made of wood, and my grandfather made it.*
8	**es mío** (ser) posesión	it's mine	**Ese cargador es mío el tuyo está en la mesa** that charger is mine the yours is on the table *That charger is mine, yours is on the table.*
9	**es mexicana** (ser) nacionalidad	she's Mexican	**Aunque vive en Canadá ella es mexicana** although she lives in Canada she is Mexican *Even though she lives in Canada, she's Mexican.*
10	**es en** (ser) lugar de un evento	it's (held) at	**La fiesta es en casa de Mariana** the party is at house of Mariana *The party is at Mariana's house.*
11	**es importante** (ser) expresión impersonal	it's important	**Es importante llegar a tiempo a la entrevista** it is important arrive on time to the interview *It's important to arrive on time for the interview.*
12	**somos** (ser) relación	we are	**Somos amigos desde la primaria** we are friends since the elementary school *We've been friends since elementary school.*
13	**fue construida** (ser) voz pasiva	it was built	**La catedral fue construida por los españoles** the cathedral was built by the Spaniards *The cathedral was built by the Spanish.*
14	**cuánto es** (ser) precio total	how much is it	**Cuánto es en total con la propina** how much is in total with the tip *How much is it in total, with the tip?*

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15	**está en** (estar) ubicación	it's on	**El banco está en la esquina junto a la farmacia** the bank is on the corner next to the pharmacy *The bank is on the corner, next to the pharmacy.*
16	**estoy cansado** (estar) estado físico	I'm tired	**Hoy estoy cansado porque dormí muy mal** today I am tired because I slept very badly *I'm tired today because I slept really badly.*
17	**está enojada** (estar) emoción	she's angry	**Mi mamá está enojada porque llegué tarde** my mom is angry because I arrived late *My mom is angry because I got home late.*
18	**estamos comiendo** (estar) acción en progreso	we're eating	**Ahorita estamos comiendo te marco en un rato** right now we are eating you I call in a while *We're eating right now, I'll call you in a bit.*
19	**está roto** (estar) resultado	it's broken	**El elevador está roto hay que subir por las escaleras** the elevator is broken one has to go up by the stairs *The elevator is broken, we have to take the stairs.*
20	**está cerrada** (estar) resultado	it's closed	**La tienda está cerrada los domingos** the store is closed on Sundays *The store is closed on Sundays.*
21	**estás muy guapa** (estar) impresión de hoy	you look very pretty	**Qué bonito vestido Estás muy guapa hoy** what pretty dress you are very pretty today *What a pretty dress! You look really pretty today.*
22	**está fría** (estar) estado	it's cold	**La sopa está fría la puedes calentar** the soup is cold it can you heat up *The soup is cold, can you heat it up?*
23	**estoy de acuerdo** (estar) expresión	I agree	**Estoy de acuerdo contigo es mejor esperar** I am in agreement with you it is better to wait *I agree with you, it's better to wait.*
24	**están de vacaciones** (estar) expresión	they're on vacation	**Mis jefes están de vacaciones hasta el lunes** my bosses are on vacation until the Monday *My bosses are on vacation until Monday.*
25	**está embarazada** (estar) estado	she's pregnant	**Mi prima está embarazada de su primer bebé** my cousin is pregnant with her first baby *My cousin is pregnant with her first baby.*
26	**estoy a dieta** (estar) expresión	I'm on a diet	**No gracias estoy a dieta hasta la boda** no thanks I am on diet until the wedding *No, thanks, I'm on a diet until the wedding.*
27	**está lleno** (estar) estado	it's full	**El metro está lleno a esta hora** the subway is full at this hour *The subway is packed at this time of day.*
28	**estás bien** (estar) salud	are you okay	**Estás bien Te veo un poco pálido** are you well you I see a little pale *Are you okay? You look a bit pale.*

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Same word, different meaning			
29	**es aburrido** (ser) aburrido = no interesante	he's boring	**Mi profesor de física es aburrido habla sin parar** my teacher of physics is boring he talks without stopping *My physics teacher is boring, he talks nonstop.*
30	**estoy aburrido** (estar) aburrido = sin nada que hacer	I'm bored	**Estoy aburrido vamos al cine** I am bored shall we go to the movies *I'm bored, shall we go to the movies?*
31	**es lista** (ser) lista = inteligente	she's smart	**Tu hija es lista aprendió a leer sola** your daughter is smart she learned to read by herself *Your daughter is smart, she learned to read by herself.*
32	**estás lista** (estar) lista = preparada	you're ready	**Ya estás lista El taxi está afuera** yet are you ready the taxi is outside *Are you ready yet? The taxi is outside.*
33	**es rico** (ser) rico = con dinero	he's rich	**El dueño de la empresa es rico tiene tres casas** the owner of the company is rich he has three houses *The owner of the company is rich, he has three houses.*
34	**está rico** (estar) rico = sabroso	it's delicious	**Este mole está rico quién lo preparó** this mole is delicious who it made *This mole is delicious, who made it?*
35	**es verde** (ser) verde = color	it's green	**El aguacate es verde por dentro** the avocado is green on the inside *Avocado is green on the inside.*
36	**está verde** (estar) verde = no maduro	it's unripe	**No compres ese mango todavía está verde** don't buy that mango still is unripe *Don't buy that mango, it's still unripe.*
37	**es malo** (ser) malo = de mala calidad	it's bad	**Este restaurante es malo la comida siempre llega fría** this restaurant is bad the food always arrives cold *This restaurant is bad, the food always arrives cold.*
38	**está malo** (estar) malo = enfermo	he's sick	**Mi hijo está malo y hoy no fue a la escuela** my son is sick and today not went to the school *My son is sick and didn't go to school today.*
39	**es seguro** (ser) seguro = sin peligro	it's safe	**Este barrio es seguro puedes caminar de noche** this neighborhood is safe you can walk at night *This neighborhood is safe, you can walk at night.*
40	**estoy seguro** (estar) seguro = convencido	I'm sure	**Estoy seguro de que dejé las llaves aquí** I am sure of that I left the keys here *I'm sure I left the keys here.*
41	**es callado** (ser) callado = por carácter	he's a quiet person	**Mi hermano es callado casi nunca habla en las fiestas** my brother is quiet almost never he talks at the parties *My brother is a quiet person, he hardly ever talks at parties.*

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42	**estás callado** (estar) callado = en este momento	you're quiet	**Por qué estás callado Pasó algo** why (why) are you quiet happened something *Why are you so quiet? Did something happen?*
43	**es nuevo** (ser) nuevo = recién comprado	it's new	**El celular es nuevo me lo regalaron ayer** the phone is new me it they gave yesterday *The phone is new, they gave it to me yesterday.*
44	**está nuevo** (estar) nuevo = en buen estado	it's like new	**Mi carro tiene diez años pero está nuevo** my car has ten years but is new *My car is ten years old, but it's like new.*

Ser or estar? Tricky cases

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45	**es feliz** (ser) en general	she's happy	**Mi abuela es feliz con su jardín y sus gatos** my grandmother is happy with her garden and her cats *My grandmother is happy with her garden and her cats.*
46	**está casado** (estar) estado civil	he's married	**Mi primo está casado con una chica de Monterrey** my cousin is married to a girl from Monterrey *My cousin is married to a girl from Monterrey.*
47	**es joven** (ser) edad	she's young	**La nueva directora es joven pero tiene mucha experiencia** the new director is young but she has a lot of experience *The new director is young, but she has a lot of experience.*
48	**está muy joven** (estar) aspecto	she looks very young	**Tu mamá está muy joven parece tu hermana** your mom is very young she looks like your sister *Your mom looks very young, she looks like your sister.*
49	**es de noche** (ser) momento del día	it's dark	**Ya es de noche mejor quédate a dormir** already it is of night better stay to sleep *It's already dark, you'd better stay the night.*
50	**estamos a** (estar) fecha	it's (the date)	**Hoy estamos a quince de septiembre viva México** today we are at fifteen of September long live Mexico *Today is the fifteenth of September, long live Mexico!*
51	**a cómo está** (estar) precio del día	how much is it today	**A cómo está el kilo de tomate** at how is the kilo of tomato *How much is a kilo of tomatoes today?*
52	**es un desastre** (ser) con sustantivo	it's a mess	**Mi cuarto es un desastre tengo que ordenarlo** my room is a disaster I have to tidy it *My room is a mess, I have to tidy it up.*
53	**está claro** (estar) expresión	it's clear	**Está claro que nadie quiere trabajar el sábado** it is clear that nobody wants to work on Saturday *It's clear that nobody wants to work on Saturday.*
54	**es que** (ser) explicación	the thing is	**Perdón por llegar tarde es que había mucho tráfico** sorry for arriving late it is that there was a lot of traffic *Sorry I'm late, the thing is there was a lot of traffic.*