

Voice Activity 7.04

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After you study all of the tabs from this lesson, you will be able to:

- Use Formal Commands (Imperative Mood), to tell an adult what to do, and what not to do.

TOPIC FOR YOUR VOICE ACTIVITY 7.04:

→ Using the subject “usted” and the verb in the imperative, tell your instructor three things she or he must do. Then tell your instructor two things she or he must not do. You will be graded on accuracy and pronunciation. Provide your sentences in Spanish.

To complete this task, you will need to use FORMAL COMMANDS, AKA the “Imperative”:

Use FORMAL COMMANDS / Imperative when speaking to an adult or to someone you don't know very well, to give that adult advise, and order, or a request.

The command is formed by using the **yo** form of the verb as the stem, and then changing the last letter to an **“a”** for an **–er or –ir verb**, or to an **“e”** for an **–ar verb**.

A. For example, if you want to tell Mr. Lago to speak slowly, you would use the “usted” command with the verb “hablar.” You would change the verb according to the following steps:

1. yo form of hablar = **hablo**
2. Change the ending to an **“e”** = **hable**
3. **“Hable despacio, Sr. Lago.”**

B. To tell Mr. Lago to write his name, you would use the “usted” command with the verb “escribir.”

1. yo form of escribir = **escribo**
2. Change the ending to an **“a”** = **escriba**
3. **“Escriba su nombre, Sr. Lago.”**

C. To tell Mr. Lago not to drink the milk, you would use the “usted” command with the verb “beber.”

1. yo form of beber = **bebo**
2. Change the ending to an “a” = **beba**
3. “**No beba** la leche, Sr. Lago.”

YOUR ANSWER / EXAMPLE: You are going to tell me **THREE** things I must do, and **TWO** things I must not do. You can decide what topics to discuss. Use **YOUR** original sentences, please.

→ “Sra. Santiago...”

1. Coma muchas frutas.
2. Beba mucha leche.
3. Duerma 8 horas todas las noches.
4. No beba muchos refrescos.
5. No coma comida alta en grasa.”