

Mandatos (Commands)

These are things we tell people to do. Try using these in your daily life.

When you want to tell a person to do something, you use these words below. This list contains some of the most common things we tell a person or people to do in our daily lives. Listen to the corresponding audio to hear all the pronunciations.

To have fun with these, you can play *Simón Dice* (Simon Says), pronounced *See-moan Dee-seh*. When you play *Simón Dice* be sure you say "Simón dice" before each command, but leave it out sometimes to "trick" players. Any player who does the action when you did not say "Simón dice" before the command is out. Play until only one player is left.

Prior to playing *Simón Dice*, take time to learn a handful of commands first (maybe 5 or so) and come up with gestures to show each one. For example, for "escucha" (listen) or "escuchen", you might want to hold your hand up behind your ear to show listening. These gestures can then be used by players to show they are doing what *Simón* tells them when playing the game.

Telling one person	Telling more than one person	English Translation
siéntate (see-en-ta-teh)	siéntense (see-en-ten-seh)	sit down
levántate (leh-vahn-ta-teh)	levántense (leh-vahn-ten-seh)	stand up
escribe (eh-skree-beh)	escriban (eh-skree-bahn)	write
mira (mee-ra)	miren (mee-ren)	look (at)
toma (toe-ma)	tomen (toe-men)	take
tómalo (toe-ma-low)	tómenlo (toe-men-low)	take it
oye (oy-yeah)	oigan (oy-gahn)	listen
escucha (eh-skoo-cha)	escuchen (eh-skoo-chen)	listen to
dame (dah-meh)	denme (den-meh)	give me
dale (dah-leh)	denle (den-leh)	give him/her
ven aquí (ben ah-kee)	vengan aquí (ben-gahn ah-kee)	come here
trae (try-eh)	traigan (try-gahn)	bring
tráeme (try-eh-meh)	tráiganme (try-gahn-meh)	bring me
busca (boo-skah)	busquen (boo-sken)	look for
colorea (ko-lor-eh-ah)	coloreen (ko-lor-eh-en)	color
corta (kor-ta)	corten (kor-ten)	cut
pega (peh-ga)	peguen (peh-guen)	glue
canta (kahn-tah)	canten (kahn-ten)	sing
muéstrame (mweh-strah-meh)	muéstrenme (mweh-stren-meh)	show me
acuéstate (ah-kweh-stah-teh)	acuéstense (ah-kweh-sten-seh)	go to bed

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dibuja (dee-boo-ha)	dibujen (dee-boo-hen)	draw
borra (bor-rah)	borren (bor-ren)	erase
deja (deh-ha)	dejen (deh-hen)	leave...(something)
déjalo (deh-ha-low)	déjenlo (deh-hen-low)	leave it
corre (kor-ray)	corran (kor-rahn)	run
no corras (kor-rahs)	no corran (kor-rahn)	don't run
quédate (keh-da-teh)	quédense (keh-den-seh)	stay there
contesta (cone-teh-stah)	contesten (cone-teh-sten)	answer
contéstame (cone-teh-stah-meh)	contéstenme (cone-teh-sten-meh)	answer me
pregunta (preh-goon-ta)	pregunten (preh-goon-ten)	ask
pregúntame (preh-goon-ta-meh)	pregúntenme (preh-goon-ten-meh)	ask me
ve (beh)	vayan (bye-yahn)	go
pon (pone)	pongan (pone-gahn)	put
di (dee)	digan (dee-gahn)	say
dime (dee-meh)	díganme (dee-gahn-meh)	tell me
toca (toe-ka)	toquen (toe-ken)	touch
para (pah-ra)	paren (pah-ren)	stop
salta (sahl-ta)	salten (sahl-ten)	jump
compra (kohm-prah)	compren (kohm-pren)	buy
vuelve (bwel-beh)	vuelvan (bwel-bahn)	come back
anda (ahn-da)	anden (ahn-den)	walk
come (ko-meh)	coman (ko-mahn)	eat
entra (en-trah)	entren (en-tren)	enter, come in