

En resumen

Vocabulario y gramática



Vocabulario

Characteristics

antiguo(a)	ancient
avanzado(a)	advanced
el calendario	calendar
la civilización	civilization
la estatua	statue
la herramienta	tool
el monumento	monument

Ancient Civilizations

Activities

la agricultura	agriculture
cazar	to hunt
construir	to build
la excavación	excavation

People

el (la) agricultor(a)	farmer
los toltecas	Toltecs

City Layout

la acera	sidewalk
la avenida	avenue
el barrio	neighborhood
la catedral	cathedral
la ciudad	city
la cuadra	city block
el edificio	building
moderno(a)	modern
la plaza	plaza; square
el rascacielos	skyscraper

Ask For and Give Directions

?Cómo llevo a...?	How do I get to...?
cruzar	to cross
doblar...	to turn...
a la derecha	to the right
a la izquierda	to the left
seguir (!) derecho	to go straight

desde	from
entre	between
frente a	across from
hasta	to
(en) la esquina	(on) the corner
el semáforo	traffic light

Gramática

Nota gramatical: Verbs with **!** → y spelling change in the preterite p. 226

Preterite of -car, -gar, and -zar verbs

buscar (yo) busqué	c becomes qu
pagar (yo) pagué	g becomes gu
empezar (yo) empecé	z becomes c

In the preterite, verbs that end in **-car**, **-gar**, and **-zar** are spelled differently in the **yo** form to maintain the pronunciation.

More Verbs with Irregular Preterite Stems

The verbs **venir**, **querer**, **decir**, and **traer** have irregular **preterite stems**.

Verb Stem	Irregular Preterite Endings
traer	-imos
decir	-iste
venir	-iste
querer	-ieron
Verb Stem	ustedes/ellos/ellas
traer	trajeron
decir	dijeron