

REPASO: Verbs like **gustar**

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Using verbs like **gustar**

- ▶ You most often use verbs like **gustar** with the **indirect object pronouns**:

- me
- te
- le
- nos
- os
- les

to express your and others' reactions to things.

Por ejemplo:

- ▶ **Me gusta** tu **prendedor**.
 - I like your pin. (Literally: Your pin pleases me.)
- ▶ Gracias. ¡Y a mí **me gustan** tus **zapatos**!
 - Thanks. And I like your shoes!

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- ▶ Remember that the form of the verb matches the item you are talking about, NOT the person doing the liking.
 - For instance:
 - Me gusta tu **prendedor**.
 - “gusta” is singular because “**prendedor**” is singular.
 - Me gustan tus **zapatos**.
 - “gustan” is plural because “**zapatos**” is plural.
- ▶ Also, if you are talking about liking to do something (gustar + infinitive), you will always use the singular form gusta.

Verbs like gustar

- ▶ You should already know these verbs like **gustar**:
 - **encantar** (to really like; to love)
 - ¡**Me encanta** tu chaqueta!
 - *I love your jacket!*
 - **faltar** (to lack; to be missing)
 - **Nos faltan** los tenedores.
 - *We're missing some forks.*

More verbs like gustar

- **fascinar** (to fascinate)
 - A Ricardo, **le fascina** la moda de los años 70.
 - *Richard is fascinated by the fashion of the 1970's.*
- **molestar** (to bother; to bug)
 - A Julieta y Victoria, **les molestan** mucho las faldas largas.
 - *Long skirts bother Julieta and Victoria.*
- **interesar** (to interest)
 - A ti, ¿**te interesa** ir de compras conmigo?
 - *Would you be interested in going shopping with me?*

More verbs like gustar

- **quedarle bien** (to look good on)
 - A Juanito, **le queda bien** la camisa de rayas.
 - *The striped shirt looks good on Juanito.*
- **quedarle mal** (to look bad on)
 - A mí, **me quedan mal** esos pantalones.
 - *Those pants look bad on me.*
- **importar** (to be important to)
 - No **me importa** la moda de hoy.
 - *I don't care about today's fashions.*

More verbs like gustar

- caerle bien (to like)

- A ti, ¿te cae bien la nueva profesora de inglés?
 - *Do you like the new English teacher?*

- caerle mal (to dislike)

- Esa señora me cae muy mal.
 - *I don't like that woman at all.*
(Literally: I very much dislike that woman).
- In English, this verb (caerle bien/mal) is “it/he/she strikes me,” as in “How does the new professor strike you?”

Práctica

- ▶ Fill in the blank with the appropriate form of the verb in parenthesis. Don't forget your indirect object pronoun (me, te, le, nos, os, les).
 - A Rafael, _____ **le falta** _____ un cinturón. (faltar)
 - A mí, _____ **me interesa** _____ la moda de los años 40. (interesar)
 - A nosotros, _____ **nos molestan** _____ los nuevos estudiantes. (molestar)
 - A ustedes, ¿_____ **les encanta** _____ la música tejana? (encantar)



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