Present tense of *-ar* verbs (p. 84)

- An infinitive is the most basic form of a verb. In English, infinitives have the word "to" in front of them (to talk). In Spanish, infinitives end in **-ar, -er,** or **-ir.**
- The largest number of Spanish infinitives end in **-ar: hablar, cantar,** etc.
- To create the present tense of most of these verbs, drop the **-ar** from the stem: **habl-, cant-,** etc.
- Add the verb endings:

yo: add **-o: hablo**	nosotros/nosotras: add **-amos:** hablamos
tú: add **-as: hablas**	vosotros/vosotras: add **-áis:** habláis
usted/él/ella: add **-a: habla**	ustedes/ellos/ellas: add **-an:** hablan

A. Look at each verb form. Circle the ending. Follow the model.

Modelo estudi(a)

1. hablas
2. nado
3. canta
4. tocamos
5. trabajas
6. patinamos
7. dibujan
8. bailo
9. pasan
10. escucha

B. Now, look at the same list of verb forms from **part A** and circle the subject pronoun that matches each verb.

1. (**usted** / **tú**) hablas
2. (**yo** / **ella**) nado
3. (**usted** / **yo**) canta
4. (**nosotros** / **vosotros**) tocamos
5. (**tú** / **usted**) trabajas
6. (**ellos** / **nosotras**) patinamos
7. (**ustedes** / **nosotros**) dibujan
8. (**yo** / **él**) bailo
9. (**ellas** / **usted**) pasan
10. (**ella** / **ustedes**) escucha

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