

El pretérito: Spelling changes

In the PRETERITE, verbs ending in -car/-gar/-zar have spelling changes that take place **ONLY** in the "yo" form.

sacar (c>qu)

pagar (g>gu)

empezar (z>c)

Conjugate the following -car/-gar/-zar verbs in the preterite tense according to the subject.

1. yo (sacar) _____
2. tú (sacar) _____
3. Paco (pagar) _____
4. yo. (pagar) _____
5. Ellas (empezar) _____
6. yo (empezar) _____
7. Martha y yo (practicar) _____
8. yo (practicar) _____

In addition, most verbs that end in another vowel before the -er or -ir ending (-yó/-yeron). This change **ONLY takes place in the third person (él, ella, Ud., ellos, ellas, Uds.)**

Conjugate the following -yó/-yeron verbs in the preterite tense according to the subject.

1. yo (leer) _____
2. María (leer) _____
3. mi perro (oír) _____
4. ellos (oír) _____
5. Uds. (caer) _____
6. él (caer) _____
7. Ud. y yo (construir) _____
8. El niño (construir) _____