

SP08: Estar

Student Name: _____ Student ID Number: _____

Instructor: _____ Class Level: _____ Date: _____

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Learning Outcomes: You will be able to...

- ✓ Use of *estar* in the simple present form.
- ✓ Distinguish in what situations to use *estar*
- ✓ Utilize *estar* in sentences and in conversation.

Section 1: Introduction/Presentation

Estar: To Be

Yo estoy	Nosotros estamos
Tu estás	Vosotros estáis
El/ Ella está	Ellos/ Ellas están
Usted está	

When do we use *estar*?

Estar in Spanish means “to be.” *Estar* indicates more temporary states whereas *ser* indicates more long term situations. *Estar* is typically irregular, so it is important that you understand its forms.

Why is it important?

The use of *estar* is important because it is used to describe how something is at the moment. It indicates temporary states such as; conditions, locations, emotions, and actions.

How something has always been. ≠ How something is.

(long term)

(short term)



Scooby **está** confundido.
(Temporary State)



Shaggy y Scooby **están** listos.
(Temporary State)



Section 2: Reasons for Using Estar

Match each sentence to the reason for using *estar*. Write the letter of the reason in the space next to the sentence below.

Reasons to Use *Estar*:

- Geographic or physical location
- Weather
- State or condition (including health, feelings, and emotions)
- Progressive tenses (*-ando/-iendo*)



- ____ 1. Los amigos están en El Mystery Machine. (The friends are in the Mystery Machine).
- ____ 2. Shaggy y Velma están buscando la llave. (Shaggy and Velma are looking for the key.)
- ____ 3. Daphne está nerviosa. (Daphne is nervous.)
- ____ 4. Está nublado y oscuro, por lo que los amigos no pueden ver los fantasmas. (It's cloudy and dark, so the friends can't see the ghosts).

Section 3: Practice Using *Estar*

Fill in the blanks with the correct form of *estar*. Then, explain to the tutor why *estar* is used in each sentence.

- Shaggy y Velma _____ hablando sobre cómo van a resolver el misterio.
- Daphne no quiere ayudar con el misterio porque ella _____ más enfocada en comer pizza.
- ¿Scooby Dooby Doo, dónde _____?
- Este lugar _____ encantado.
- Zoinks! Shaggy y sus amigos deben tener cuidado porque este lugar _____ asqueroso.
- Ellos resolvieron el misterio, y ahora _____ listos para comer perros calientes con chocolate.



Section 4: One Minute Mysteries

Watch the One Minute Mysteries video on [the LLC Spanish Tutoring website](#). Then, write at least 3 sentences with *estar* about the video. Have fun with it!





Section 5: Practice with a tutor!

GOOD job! Now [make an appointment for Spanish Tutoring on the LLC website.](#)

Before your appointment, please [fill out the sign-in sheet.](#)

When it is time for your appointment, meet your tutor in the [Virtual LLC.](#)

Grading Rubric

Possible Points	 Pass	 Not Yet Pass
Completion	The student completed all of the sections of the DLA.	The student has not yet completed all of the section of the DLA.
Comprehension/ Metacognition	The student can effectively explain the concepts and skills learned in the DLA.	The student cannot yet effectively explain the concepts and skills learned in the DLA.
Course Connections	The student can explain the connections between their coursework and the DLA.	The student cannot yet explain a connection between their course and DLA.

Students must succeed in all criteria to pass this DLA.

Verification of completion: If you successfully complete this DLA with the tutor, you will receive a stamp on your digital passport. An updated copy of your passport will be emailed to you 1-2 business days after your tutoring appointment.

