

Lecture Outline: Spanish Informal Affirmative Tú Commands

Affirmative Tú (Informal) Commands

- tell someone to do something using the familiar subject pronoun “tú”
- verbs use the present indicative “usted” form
- subject pronoun “tú” can be used after the verb to add emphasis to the command
- direct & indirect object pronouns are attached to the end of the verb
- when DO and IO pronouns are placed on the verb, accent mark is added to the verb if needed to maintain correct pronunciation of the verb
- commands are called “mandatos” in Spanish

Irregular Affirmative Tú Verbs

poner	pon
tener	ten
venir	ven
hacer	haz
salir	sal
decir	di
saber	sé
ir	ve

Spanish Affirmative Tú Informal Commands

Habla por el celular.

Talk on the cell phone.

Habla tú por el celular.

Talk on the cell phone. (emphatic)

Escribe un mensaje.

Write a message.

Escribe tú un mensaje.

Write a message. (emphatic)

Pide la cuenta.

Ask for the bill.

Ponlo en la mesa.

Put it on the table.

Escríbelo.

Write it.

Ven aquí.

Come here.

Dime la verdad.

Tell me the truth.