

## Spanish -AR Verb Conjugation Maze Game (Preterite Tense)

The preterite tense can be challenging for Spanish learners, but adding movement and game-based practice makes conjugation review far more engaging. This -AR Verb Conjugation Maze Game gives students a fun way to reinforce preterite endings while problem-solving their way through a puzzle.

This activity works well as a warm-up, partner game, station activity, fast-finisher option, or review before assessment.

### Objective

Move from START to FINISH by correctly [conjugating -AR verbs in the preterite tense](#).

### How to Play

1. Students begin at the START space.
2. They may move up, down, left, or right—but only if they correctly conjugate the verb in the space they want to enter.
3. Each space contains a subject pronoun and an -AR verb in the infinitive.
4. Students must say or write the correct preterite form before moving.
5. The first player to reach FINISH wins.
6. Teachers may require written answers, verbal responses, or partner-checking depending on the class.

### Game Board Spaces

#### START

tú - estudiar

ella - bailar

yo - comprar

ellos - viajar

yo - hablar

vosotros - enseñar

ella - usar

nosotros - caminar

tú - escuchar

ustedes - visitar

él - necesitar

yo - mirar  
tú - trabajar

#### FINISH

ella - llevar  
tú - preparar  
vosotros - nadar  
yo - cantar  
ellos - desear  
nosotros - estudiar  
yo - descansar  
él - tocar  
ustedes - mirar  
tú - bailar

#### Answer Key

hablé  
estudiaste  
bailó  
compré  
viajaron  
hablé  
enseñasteis  
usó  
caminamos  
escuchaste  
visitaron  
necesitó  
miré  
trabajaste

llevó  
preparaste  
nadasteis  
canté  
desearon  
estudiamos  
descansé

tocó  
miraron  
bailaste

### Why This Activity Works

- It encourages repetition without feeling repetitive.
- Students must process both the pronoun and the verb form quickly.
- Movement-based learning keeps students engaged.
- It works for all learning styles—visual, kinesthetic, and verbal.
- It's easy to differentiate by adjusting required accuracy or adding time limits.

### Extensions and Variations

- Have students create their own maze using different -AR verbs.
- Use -ER or -IR verbs, irregular preterite verbs, or mixed tenses.
- Turn it into a race, relay, or team challenge.
- Require complete-sentence answers for added challenge.
- Use it as homework by having students write the path they chose.

### Final Thoughts

This maze game transforms [preterite](#) practice into an interactive experience that helps students build confidence with -AR verb conjugations. It's simple to prepare, engaging to play, and effective for mastery.

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#### How to Play:

1. Begin at the START space.
2. You may move up, down, left, or right—but only if you correctly conjugate the verb in the space.
3. Each space contains a subject pronoun and an -AR verb in the infinitive.
4. Say or write the correct preterite tense form to move.
5. First to reach FINISH wins!

START                      tú - estudiar                      ella - bailar                      yo - comprar                      ellos - viajar

yo - hablar	vosotros - enseñar	ella - usar	nosotros - caminar	tú - escuchar
ustedes - visitar	él - necesitar	yo - mirar	tú - trabajar	FINISH
ella - llevar	tú - preparar	vosotros - nadar	yo - cantar	ellos - desear
nosotros - estudiar	yo - descansar	él - tocar	ustedes - mirar	tú - bailar

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estudiamos	descansé	tocó	miraron	bailaste