

Module 1 – Diviértete

Writing Practice – Higher Tier

80–90 word writing task

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Look at the task and answer the questions.

- 1 What type of text are you asked to write?
- 2 What tense(s) will you need to use for each bullet point?

Remember to use connectives and time phrases to enable you to write detailed sentences for each bullet point, for example *y, también, pero, o, porque, por eso, por lo tanto, a menudo, de vez en cuando, nunca*, etc.



Write a letter to your friend about your free time activities.

You **must** include the following points:

- what you do in your free time
- your opinion of one of your hobbies
- what you did last week in your free time
- what you will do next weekend.

Write your answer **in Spanish**.

Aim to write between 80 and 90 words.

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Read Lin's answer to the exam task. Answer the questions in the callouts.

This is an example of an **irregular verb**. Find three more examples from the text.

What detailed **reason** does Lin give to avoid a simple reason like *es interesante*?

What does the useful connective **para** mean here?

En mi tiempo libre, **soy** miembro de un club de natación y voy a la piscina dos veces a la semana. Me encanta nadar **porque me ayuda a olvidarme de todo**. También me gusta leer cuando estoy en casa. La semana pasada fui al cine **para** ver una película de aventuras y después **mi hermana y yo vimos a una banda increíble en un concierto**. ¡Fue fantástico! El fin de semana que viene voy a ver **un documental sobre mi equipo de fútbol** favorito con mi madre y luego vamos a salir para comer algo.



Aim to use a variety of verbs and verb endings. What **tense** is this?

What **extra details** are added to his future plans?

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Read Lin's answer again and answer the questions.

- 1 How often does he go swimming?
- 2 Why does he love swimming?
- 3 What else does he like to do?
- 4 What did he do last week? (Give two details.)
- 5 What is he going to watch this weekend?
- 6 What else is he going to do and who with?

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Prepare your own answer to the task.

- Think about how you can develop your answer for each bullet point.
- Look back at your notes from exercises 1 and 2.
- Look at the 'Challenge Checklist' and consider how you can show off your Spanish!
- Write a **brief** plan and organise your answer into paragraphs.
- Write your answer and then carefully check the accuracy of what you have written.

Challenge checklist

	✓ The 'I' form of the verb in different time frames ✓ Verbs of opinion (e.g. <i>me gusta</i>) ✓ Simple connectives (e.g. <i>y, pero, también</i>) ✓ Time markers (e.g. <i>la semana pasada, el fin de semana que viene</i>)
	✓ The 'I' form of the verb in different time frames, plus different persons of the verb in the present ✓ A variety of verbs of opinion (e.g. <i>me encanta, me interesa, prefiero</i>) ✓ Simple reasons (<i>porque + ser</i>) and exclamations (e.g. <i>¡Fue increíble!</i>) ✓ Connectives (e.g. <i>sin embargo, por eso</i>) ✓ Sequencers (e.g. <i>primero, después, luego</i>)
	✓ Different persons of the verb in different time frames ✓ Verbs of opinion in different persons (e.g. <i>creen que, nos gusta</i>) ✓ Detailed reasons using a variety of verbs and phrases ✓ More varied connectives (e.g. <i>por lo tanto, cuando</i>) ✓ Direct object pronouns (e.g. <i>lo hago porque ...</i>)

Translation

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Read the English text and Nadim's translation of it. Write down the missing word for each gap.

In my free time I use my phone all the time. Often, I take photos on my mobile. Sometimes I make calls but I almost never play video games. Yesterday I played football with my friends in the park and then we went to the cinema. Next week, my brother and I are going to go to a concert.

En mi tiempo libre **1** el móvil todo el tiempo. A menudo **2** fotos con el móvil. A veces **3** llamadas, pero casi **4** juego a los videojuegos. Ayer **5** al fútbol con mis amigos en el **6** y luego fuimos al cine. La semana **7** mi hermano y yo vamos a **8** a un concierto.

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Translate the following text into Spanish.

If I have free time, I play sport. Sometimes I go horse-riding. I don't spend much time on my phone because I think it is boring. Last weekend I went to the swimming pool with my friends and then we went out. On Sunday my parents and I are going to go to a football match.

Be careful with phrases that cannot be translated word for word. For example, which verb do you need to use for 'I play sport'? And how do you translate 'on' when it is with a day of the week?

