**Apuntes: El pretérito de los verbos –AR**

I can…

* Conjugate –AR verbs in the preterite past tense
* Conjugate the verbs *comprar* and *pagar* in the preterite past tense

1. Conjugation of –AR Verbs in the Preterite Past Tense

To talk about actions completed in the past, follow these steps:

* 1. Remove the –AR ending from the verb infinitive
  2. Add the following endings

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| Yo |  | Nosotros/as |  |
| Tú |  | Vosotros/as |  |
| Él, ella, usted |  | Ellos, ellas, ustedes |  |

* Use these endings for all –AR verbs in the preterite past tense
* Some words that you can use to indicate that something happened in the past include:
  + anoche
  + ayer
  + el año pasado
  + la semana pasada
  + hace (+ time expression)

1. Comprar in the Preterite Past Tense

Comprar = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Conjugate the verb *comprar* in the preterite past tense to tell about what someone bought.

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| Yo |  | Nosotros/as |  |
| Tú |  | Vosotros/as |  |
| Él, ella, usted |  | Ellos, ellas, ustedes |  |

Places to buy clothing and shoes:

* el almacén
* el centro comercial
* la tienda de ropa
* la tienda de descuentos
* la zapatería

*¡Practicar!* Translate the following questions and answers from Spanish to English

1. ¿Dónde compraste tu suéter? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Yo compré mi suéter en el almacén. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. ¿Cuándo compraste tus zapatos? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. Yo compré mis zapatos hace dos semanas. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
5. Pagar in the Preterite Past Tense

Pagar (por) = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Conjugate the verb *pagar* in the preterite past tense to tell how much someone paid for an item.

* Verbs that end in –gar (such as *pagar* and *jugar*) have a g → gu spell change in the yo form only in the preterite past tense.

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| Yo |  | Nosotros/as |  |
| Tú |  | Vosotros/as |  |
| Él, ella, usted |  | Ellos, ellas, ustedes |  |

*¡Practicar!* Translate from Spanish to English.

1. ¿Cuánto pagaste por la sudadera? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Yo pagué cincuenta y cinco dólares por la sudadera. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. Ella pagó ciento treinta y nueve dólares por el vestido rojo. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_