

Tasks 9S/Sp4 04/11/21

A. Using the pictures and a dictionary if necessary, write out a translation for the sentences a-f. Stick this page in the back of your grammar book. Alternatively, copy the sentences and their translations into the back of your grammar book.

Lo mejor / peor fue cuando...

The worksheet contains six numbered illustrations:

- a**: An illustration of a soccer stadium (Camp Nou) with spectators in the stands.
- b**: An illustration of two people sailing a small boat with a Japanese flag.
- c**: An illustration of Park Güell, showing its famous mosaic walls and a bridge.
- d**: An illustration of a person sitting at a desk, looking at a broken smartphone.
- e**: An illustration of a person digging in the sand at a beach, with a bottle washed up on the shore.
- f**: An illustration of two people on a red roller coaster car, looking scared.

Below each illustration is a blue speech bubble containing a sentence:

- a**: vi un partido en el Camp Nou.
- b**: aprendí a hacer vela.
- c**: visité el Park Güell.
- d**: perdí mi móvil.
- e**: tuve un accidente en la playa.
- f**: vomité en una montaña rusa.

Lo mejor/peor fue cuando....(the best/worst thing was when...)

- a.....
- b.....
- c.....
- d.....
- e.....
- f.....

B. Read the text below and complete the sentences.



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- Una manera rápida y fácil de visitar la ciudad.
- Ideal para toda la familia.
- Visitas de dos o tres horas.

Recomiendo la visita

“Visité Barcelona en Segway con mi familia y lo pasé fenomenal. Primero vimos los barcos en el puerto. Luego visitamos el Museo Picasso. Fue muy interesante. Después fuimos al Barrio Gótico. Fue guay. Pero lo mejor fue cuando saqué fotos de la Sagrada Familia con mi nueva cámara más tarde. Finalmente compré un helado en las Ramblas. ¡Qué rico!”

Enrique Casillas (15 años)



- 1 A Segway tour is a quick and...
- 2 Visits last...
- 3 First Enrique saw...
- 4 The Picasso Museum was...
- 5 The best thing was when...
- 6 He bought...

C. Read the text about Elena's trip to Málaga and answer the questions.

El verano pasado fui a Málaga con mis padres. Viajamos en avión. Fue muy rápido, pero también un poco aburrido. Nos alojamos en un hotel muy lujoso e hicimos muchas actividades interesantes.

1 Is Elena talking about going to Málaga in the future or in the past? How do you know?

2 What was Elena's experience like? Circle the correct answer.

a positive b negative c positive and negative

3 Underline the adjectives in the text that help you to answer this question. How many of them are positive and how many are negative? Do you think they are easy to understand? Why?

D. Look at the text again and find the Spanish translations for these verbs.

- 1 we stayed _____
- 2 we travelled _____
- 3 it was _____
- 4 we did _____
- 5 I went _____



Sometimes you can guess the meaning of a word by looking at the other words it is used with. For example, in this text, you can guess that *nos alojamos* means 'we stayed' because it is used with 'un hotel' which is the same in English.

E. Fill the gaps to complete the translation of the text in activity A.

Last summer I went ____ Málaga _____.
_____. We travelled _____. It was ____ quick but _____.
____ boring. We stayed in _____.
____ and we did ____ of _____.
_____.



It's important to use the correct subject pronoun (I, it, we etc.) when you translate into English. Knowing the different verb endings in Spanish and using the context will help you to do this.



Remember that the order of words can be different in English and Spanish. Adjectives, for example, mostly come after a noun in Spanish but before a noun in English.

F. In this text Elena gives more details about her trip to Málaga. Answer the questions below. There are some examples of the imperfect tense. We haven't covered this in class but the vocabulary below should help you.

Estaba- it was

Era- it was

Tenía- it had

Había there was

Afortunadamente, el hotel estaba en el centro de la ciudad. Era muy moderno, pero no era demasiado caro. Tenía un gimnasio, dos restaurantes enormes y una discoteca. Había una piscina climatizada y la playa estaba muy cerca también. ¡Qué práctico!

What is Elena describing?

Find the two different words that mean '(it) was' in the text.

Make a list of all the cognates (words that are similar in both languages) you can find in this text,

A small part of this word is similar to the English word. Can you see it?

'The centre of the city' is the word-for-word translation of this, but can you think of a more natural-sounding translation?



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Look out for cognates (words that are the same or similar in English). There are several in this text. Sometimes looking at a small part of a word can help you to understand it.

