

SHOE VERB CONJUGATION

(also known as Stem-changing Verbs)

The stem is the part of the verb **that is not the ending**.

Underline the stem in these verbs;

Hablar Comer Vivir Mandar Beber

Stem-changing verbs have a spelling change in the stem in every form except for:

1. **Nosotros**
2. **Vosotros**

There are **3** main types of stem-changers;

1. **e > ie**
2. **e > i**
3. **o > ue**

There are other types of stem-changers that aren't as common, however they follow the same rules as these do.

Example of **e > ie** - Mentir – to lie

Yo	Miento	Nosotros	Mentimos
Tú	Mientes	Vosotros	Mentís
Él / Ella	Miente	Ellos / Ellas	Mienten
Usted	Miente	Ustedes	Mienten

Example of **o > ue** – Volver – to turn

Yo	Vuelvo	Nosotros	Volvemos
Tú	Vuelves	Vosotros	Volvéis
Él / Ella	Vuelve	Ellos / Ellas	Vuelven
Usted	Vuelve	Ustedes	Vuelven

Notice that the verb forms inside the shoe have a change and the ones outside do not. This is why they are nicknamed “shoe” verbs.