**Los verbos que necesitan preposiciones con los objetos y el infinitivo en español**

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| **Verb** | **Definition and notes** |
| abandonarse a + inf  | To give oneself up to  |
| abstener de + inf  | to abstain from  |
| aburirse de + inf  | to get bored with doing  |
| abusar de + obj  | to abuse, overindulge in  |
| acabar con + objacabar de + infacabar por + inf  | to finish, put an end toto have just (done something)to finish by / end up doing  |
| acercarse a + infacercarse a + obj  | To approach to – but para can be used insteadto approach  |
| acertar a + inf  | to manage to  |
| acordarse de + infacordarse de + objacordarse de +obj + de + inf | to remember toto rememberto remember something / somebody / doing(note that you can use "recordar algo" for "to remember something") |
| acordarse con | to agree with |
| acostumbrarse a + inf/objacostumbrarse a obj a + inf  | to become accustomed to/get used toto get used to obj / doingTodavía no me puedo acostumbrar del todo a la comida = I still haven't quite gotten used to the foodAlso acostumbrar means to be accustomed toNo acostumbro hacerlo  |
| acusar a + alguien de algo / dehaber + past participleacusar de + inf  | to accuse somebody of doing / having doneto accuse of  |
| advertir a alguien de algo  | to notify / warn somebody about something  |
| afanarse por + inf  | to strive to  |
| aficionarse a algo / a + inf  | to grow fond of something / of doing  |
| alcanzar a + inf  | to manage to  |
| alegrarse de + infalegrarse de algo / de + haber + past participle  | to be happy, pleased toto be glad about something / of doing / having done  |
| alejarse de + obj  | to go away from  |
| alicarse a + inf  | To apply oneself to  |
| alimentarse de + obj  | To feed on  |
| amenazar a alguien con algo / con + infamenazar con + infamenazar con + obj  | to threaten somebody with / to doto threaten toto threaten with |
| animar a + inf  | to encourage to  |
| apartarse de + obj  | to keep away from  |
| apoderarse de + obj  | to take possession of  |
| apoyarse en + obj  | to lean on/against  |
| aprender a + inf  | to learn to  |
| apresurarse a + inf  | to hurry to do  |
| aprovecharse de + obj  | to take advantage of  |
| aproximarse a obj  | to come near/approach  |
| apurarse por + infapurarse por + obj  | to strive toto get anxious about  |
| arrancar a + alguien  | To snatch from someone  |
| arrepentirse de + inf  | to regret  |
| arrimarse a + obj  | To lean against  |
| asemejarse a + obj  | to resemble, look like  |
| asistir a + obj  | to attend/be present at  |
| asomarse a + obj  | to appear at / to lean out of  |
| asombrarse de + inf  | to be surprised at doing (this doesn't use 'de' when the verb is not reflexive)  |
| aspirar a + inf  | To aspire to  |
| asustarse de/por + obj  | to get frightened about  |
| atreverse a + inf  | to dare to  |
| autorizar a + inf  | to authorize to  |
| avergonzarse a infavergonzarse de + infavergonzar de obj de haber + past participle  | To venture toto be ashamed ofto be ashamed of something / somebody / of doing/ have done  |
| avisar de | avisar means to communicate somethingavisar de means the same as prevenir de |
| ayudar a + infayudar a alguien a + inf  | to helpto help somebody to do  |
| bajar a + infbajar de + obj  | To go down to – but para can be used insteadto get out of, get off, descend from  |
| burlarse de + obj  | to make fun of  |
| cambiar de + objcambiar por + obj  | to changeto exchange for  |
| cansarse de + inf/objcansarse de obj de + inf  | to tire (get tired) ofto tire of obj/ of doing  |
| carecer de + obj  | to lack  |
| cargar de algo  | to load with something  |
| casarse con + obj  | to marry  |
| cesar de + inf  | to stop  |
| chocar con algo  | to bump/crash in to something  |
| centrarse en  | to focus/concentrate on (an issue etc.)  |
| comenzar a + infcomenzar con or por + inf  | to begin toto begin with/by  |
| compadecerse de + obj  | to feel sorry for, pity  |
| comparar con obj  | to compare with  |
| complacerse en + inf  | To take pleasure in  |
| comprar a + alguien  | To buy from someone  |
| comprometerse a + inf  | to undertake to  |
| condenar a + inf  | to condemn to  |
| conducir a + inf  | to lead to  |
| confiar en + infconfiar en + obj  | to trust toto trust, rely on  |
| consentir en + inf  | to consent to  |
| consistir en + inf/obj  | to consist of  |
| constar de + obj  | to consist of (constar = to be evident / on record)  |
| contar con + inf/obj  | to count / rely oncontar on it's own means to count or recount (a story)  |
| contentarse con + inf  | to be satisfied with  |
| contribuir a + inf  | to contribute to  |
| convencerse de + inf  | to become convinced  |
| convenir aconvenir conconvenir en + inf  | To suitto agree withto agree to  |
| convertirse en + obj  | to turn into, become (with total changes in nature)  |
| convidar a + inf  | to invite to  |
| correr a + inf  | To run to (but para can be used instead)  |
| cubrir de + obj  | to cover with  |
| cuidar a + obj/infcuidar de + objcuidar de + infcuidarse de hacer algo  | to take care ofto take care ofto take care, be careful toto take care to do something  |
| cumplir con + obj  | to do one's duty by, fulfill one's obligations toward  |
| dar a + objdar con + objdarse cuenta de algo  | to face, overlookto meet, happen uponto realize something  |
| decidirse a + infdecidirse por + obj  | to decide / make up one's mind toto choose / decide on / settle onDecidir means to convince / decide / persuadeDecidí quedarme aquí = I decided to remain here  |
| dedicarse a + inf/obj  | to devote oneself to (career)  |
| dejar de + infdejar + inf  | to stop (doing), to fail toto allow (déjeme leer mi libro – let me read my book)  |
| deleitarse en + inf  | To take a delight in  |
| depender de + obj  | to depend on  |
| desafiar a + inf  | to challenge to  |
| desconfiar de + obj  | To mistrust  |
| descuidar de + inf  | To neglect  |
| desesperarse de + inf  | to despair of  |
| desistir de + inf  | To desist from  |
| despedirse de + obj  | to say good-bye to, take leave of  |
| despojarse de + obj  | to take off (clothes)  |
| desvelarse por + obj  | to be very concerned about  |
| detenerse a + inf  | To stop to  |
| dirigirse a + objdirigirse a + sitio / a alguien  | to go toward, addressto head for / address somebody  |
| disculparse de + objdisculparse por + inf  | to apologize for  |
| disfrutar de + obj  | to enjoy  |
| dispensar de + inf  | To excuse from  |
| disponerse a + inf  | to get ready to  |
| disuadir de + inf  | to dissuade from  |
| divertirse en + inf  | to amuse oneself by  |
| dudar de + objdudar en + inf  | to doubtto hesitate to  |
| echar la culpa a + objechar(se) a + inf  | to blameto begin to  |
| empeñarse en + inf  | to insist on, be determined to  |
| empezar a + infempezar por + inf  | to begin toto begin by doing  |
| enamorarse de + obj  | to fall in love with  |
| encargar de infencargarse de + inf  | To entrust withto take charge of  |
| encogerse de (hombros) + obj  | to shrug  |
| encontrarse con + obj  | to meet  |
| enfadarse con alguienenfadarse de(this verb is used in Spain)  | to get annoyed with somebodyto get angry at  |
| enfrentarse con + obj  | to face  |
| enseñar a + inf  | to teach to, show how to  |
| entender deentender de algo deentender en  | to know all aboutto know a little aboutto deal with / have to deal withEntender on it's own means "to understand"  |
| enterarse de + obj  | to find out about  |
| entrar a + infentrar a + objentrar en + obj  | To enter to – but para can be used insteadto enterto enter (into)  |
| entretenerse en + inf  | To amuse oneself in  |
| enviar a + inf  | To send to  |
| equivaler a + obj  | to equal, be equivalent to  |
| esconder a + alguien  | To hide from someone  |
| esforzarse en + infesforzarse por + inf  | To strive toto struggle to  |
| esperar aesperar en + obj  | to wait untilto wait in/at  |
| estar a +obj | to be located from |
| estar loco de (alegría) + obj | to be crazy with (happiness) |
| estar de acuerdo con obj | to agree with |
| estar para + inf | to be about to |
| estar por + inf | to be in favor of(Estoy por trabajar los domingos - I'm in favor of working on Sundays)to be yet to be completed(El suelo está por fregar - The floor is yet to be scrubbed)to be in favor of, to support – here, por isn't part of Estar: |
| estar por +obj | No estoy por la pornografía – I don't support pornographyEstoy luchando por... I'm fighting for...to be in the direction of(Está por el oeste - It's to the west) |
| estar sentado a + obj | to be seated at |
| excusar de + inf  | To excuse from  |
| exponerse a + inf  | To expose oneself to  |
| faltar a + obj  | To break promise  |
| felicitar por + inf  | To congratulate on  |
| fiarse a + obj fiarse de (alguien) + obj  | To trust  |
| fijarse en + obj  | to notice  |
| forrar de + obj  | to line/cover with  |
| forzar a + inf  | to force to  |
| gozar de + obj  | to enjoy  |
| gritar de (dolor) + obj  | to scream in (pain)  |
| guardarse de + inf  | to take care, be careful not to  |
| haber de + inf  | This is an old-fashioned sounding use in Spain for making mild obligations.Use deber / tener que instead. This also is used in Mexico for suppositions (Spain uses deber de)  |
| habituarse a + inf  | to get used to  |
| hablar con alguienhablar de  | to talk with somebodyto talk about  |
| hacer bien/mal en + infhacer caso a alguienhacer frente a  | to be right/wrong to – to do well/badly into pay attention to somebodyto cope with (see poder con)  |
| hartarse de + infhartarse de obj + inf  | to be fed up withto get fed up with obj with doing  |
| impulsar a + inf  | to urge to  |
| incitar a + inf  | to incite to  |
| inclinar a + inf  | to incline to  |
| incomodarse de + inf  | To be annoyed at  |
| indignarse de + inf  | To be indignant at  |
| inducir a + inf  | To induce to  |
| informarse de + obj  | To be informed about  |
| insistir en + inf  | to insist on  |
| interesarse en + infinteresarse por + obj  | to be interested into be interested in, to ask about  |
| invitar a + inf  | to invite toin restaurants and bars you can say¿Quién invita? = Who's paying for us?Te invito = I'm paying for you  |
| ir a + infir a + obj  | to be going to (do something)to go to (the cinema etc.)  |
| jactarse de + inf/obj  | to boast about  |
| jugar a + obj  | to play (a game, sport)  |
| jurar por + obj  | to swear by/on  |
| lamentarse de + inf  | to bemoan  |
| limitarse a + inf  | to limit oneself to  |
| llegar a + infllegar a + objllegar a ser  | to manage to, succeed in, end upto arrive/reach at/in (place)to become  |
| llenar de + obj  | to fill with  |
| llevar a + inf  | to lead to  |
| luchar por + inf/obj  | to struggle for  |
| mandar a + inf  | to send to  |
| maravillarse de + obj  | to marvel at  |
| meterse a + infmeterse en + obj  | to start toto get involved in  |
| molestarse en + infmolestarse por + obj  | to bother about, take the trouble toto bother about  |
| morir de (hambre) + obj  | to die from (hunger)  |
| mover a  | to move to  |
| mudar de + objmudarse de casa  | to change (clothes / colors)to move house  |
| negarse a + inf  | to refuse to  |
| no poder menos de + inf  | To not help but  |
| obligar a + infobligar a alguien a + inf  | to force, compel toto make somebody do  |
| ocultar a + alguien  | To conceal from someone  |
| ocuparse de objocuparse en + inf  | to take care of / attend toTo be busy with  |
| ofrecerse a  | to offer to  |
| oír hablar de + obj  | to hear about  |
| oler a + obj  | to smell like  |
| olvidar + inf / obj (formal use)olvidarse de + obj / infolvidarsele a uno + obj / inf | This verb means to forget / leave behind and has different formsto forget e.g. Me olvidé decirle = I forgot to tell youto forget e.g. se me olvidó decirte = I forgot to tell youThis is used more than saying "remember your passport" etc. so you would say "don't forget your passport" instead |
| oponerse a + infoponerse a algo a + inf  | to oppose / resistto be opposed to something doing  |
| optar por + inf/obj  | to opt for  |
| pagar con + obj  | to pay with/by  |
| parecerse a + obj  | to look like  |
| parar de + infpararse a hacer algopararse en  | to stopto stop to do somethingto pay attention toNote that pararse means "to come to a halt" in Spain and something different in Latin America |
| pasar a + infpasar de + obj  | to go on toto pass from / be uninterested in  |
| pedir a + alguien  | To ask for someone  |
| pensar de + objpensar en + inf/obj  | to think of, have an opinion aboutto think about  |
| perder de vista + obj  | to lose sight of  |
| persistir en + inf  | to persist in  |
| persuadir a + inf  | to persuade to  |
| pintar de + obj  | to paint + color  |
| poder con  | to cope with (unless you're talking about a problem, then use hacer frente a)  |
| ponerse a + infponerse de acuerdo + obj  | to begin to, set aboutto come to an agreement  |
| preguntar por + obj  | to ask about/after (e.g. on the phone)preguntar on it's own means something like "to question"  |
| preocuparse con + infpreocuparse de + infpreocuparse de/por + obj  | to be concerned withto be concerned aboutto worry / be concerned about  |
| prepararse a + inf  | to get ready to  |
| presumir de + inf  | to boast about  |
| privarse de + inf  | To be deprived of  |
| probar a + inf  | to try to do  |
| quedar en + infquedarse con + objquedar que / por + infquedar(se) en + infquedarse a + inf  | to agree toto keepto remain to be done (queda mucho que / por hacer - there's a lot left to do)to agree to/onto remain to - si llegara antes de las 8 podría quedarse a comer = if he arrived before 8 he could stay for lunch  |
| quejarse de + inf/obj  | to complain aboutSe quejó de que nadie los ayudaba = He complained that nobody helped themAlso "la queja" = "the complaint"  |
| quitar a + alguien  | To take away from someone  |
| reducir a + inf  | To reduce to  |
| referirse a alguien  | to refer to someone  |
| reírse de + obj  | to laugh at  |
| renunciar a + inf  | to renounce  |
| reparar en + obj  | to notice  |
| resignarse a + inf  | to resign oneself to  |
| resistir a + inf  | To resist  |
| resistirse a + inf | To be reluctant to, resist / refuseTemptation - No pudo resistir las ganas de decírmelo = She couldn't resist telling meWith weight / pressure - el estante no va a resistir tanto peso = The shelf isn't going to hold so much weightTo stand pain or sensation - No pueden resistir este calor = They can't stand the heat (or you can use the verb soportar) |
| resolverse a + inf  | To resolve to  |
| responder a + obj  | to answer / respond  |
| rezar por + obj  | to pray for  |
| robar a + alguien  | To steal from someone  |
| rodear de  | to surround with  |
| romper a + inf  | to (suddenly) start to do  |
| saber a + objsaber de memoria + obj  | to taste liketo memorize, to know by heartsaber on its own means to know (facts) or to know how to do something  |
| salir de + objsalir por + obj  | to leave (from)to leave via  |
| saltar de (alegría) + obj | to jump for (joy)  |
| sentarse a (+ una mesa etc.)  | to sit down at (+ a table etc.)  |
| ser aficionado a + objser decidido por + obj  | to be a fan ofto be decided by  |
| servir de + objservir para + infservirse de + obj  | to serve as / to be useful toto be used forto use  |
| sonar a + obj  | to sound like  |
| soñar con + inf/obj  | to dream of  |
| sorprenderse de + obj  | to be surprised at  |
| sospechar de + inf  | To suspect of  |
| subir a + infsubir a + obj  | To go up to (in order to) but para can be used insteadto board, get on/into  |
| tardar en + inf  | to take time to, delay in  |
| tender a + inf  | to tend to  |
| tener ganas de algo / de + inftener éxito en + inftener miedo a alguientener miedo de algotener quetener que ver con + inf  | to want something / feel like doingto succeed into be afraid of someoneto be afraid of somethingto have to (implying a strong obligation)to concern, have to do with  |
| terminar de + infterminar por + inf  | to stopto end by doing  |
| tirar de obj  | to pull  |
| tocar a + objtocarle a + obj  | to knock onto be someone's turn  |
| tomar a + alguientomar por + obj  | To take from someoneto take for  |
| trabajar de + (occupation)trabajar en + (place of work)  | to work asto work at / in  |
| traducir a (+ lenguage)  | to translate in to  |
| tratar de + inftratarse de + inftratarse de + obj  | to try toto be about, be a question ofto be about, deal with  |
| triunfar de + obj  | To triumph over  |
| tropezar con + obj  | to run across, happen upon  |
| vacilar en + inf  | to hesitate over  |
| vender en + obj  | to sell for (+ amount)  |
| vengarse de + obj  | To take revenge for  |
| venir a + inf  | To come to e.g. vino a verte – She came to see you – but para can be used instead  |
| venir de | To come from |
| vestir de + obj  | to dress in  |
| viajar por (tren, autobús)  | to travel by (train, bus)  |
| volver a + inf  | to do something again (more common than the use of otra vez)  |
| volver en + obj | to return in (+ time) |
| volver en sí + obj | to be oneself again, to regain consciousness |
| votar por + obj  | to vote for  |