

# Spanish: Direct & Indirect Object Pronouns

## Direct Object Pronouns (DOPs)

- Directly receive the action of the verb
- Replace the direct object noun

“Him,” “her”, or  
“It” in English  
when replacing  
direct object  
nouns

<b>Me</b>	<b>Nos</b>
<b>Te</b>	
<b>Lo/La</b>	<b>Los/Las</b>

### *Guidelines*

1. Usually appear in front of conjugated verb:
  - I love **you**. → **Te** amo.
2. Can be connected to the end of a verb
  - a. If the verb is in the **infinitive**:
    - I want to hug **you**. → Quiero abrazarte.
  - b. If the verb is in the **progressive**:
    - The letter? We are writing **it** now.
    - ¿La carta? Estamos escribiéndola ahora.
  - c. If the verb is in the **form of a command**:
    - Do **it**. → Hazlo.

## Indirect Object Pronouns (IOPs)

- Explain who is receiving the DOP.
- The “who” usually receives the “it.”

<b>Me</b>	<b>Nos</b>
<b>Te</b>	
<b>Le</b>	<b>Les</b>

### *Guidelines*

1. Usually appear in front of the conjugated verb & always in front of the DOP:  
(Exceptions are the same as for DOPs: infinitive, progressive, command.)
  - He buys **me** them (them = flowers) → Él **me** las compra.
  - “Me” is the IOP because “me” is receiving the DOP of “las flores”.
2. Note: “le(s) lo” or “le(s) la” must become “se lo” or “se la”.
  - We sent it to **Mary** (it = a letter) → Nosotros **se** la mandamos.
  - “Se” is the IOP because she is receiving the DOP of “la carta”.