

Direct & Indirect OBJECT

The object of or to the verb.

What the verb did (DIRECT). Or who the verb did it to (INDIRECT).

Direct Objects

- Find the verb and ask "What / who?"
- Direct Objects can be people, places or things
- They are placed BEFORE conjugated verbs
- Examples:
 - Te quiero. → I love you.
 - ¿La tienes? → Do you have it (homework)?
 - Las veo. → I see them (the girls)

WHO OR WHAT?

Me	Me	Nos	Us
You	Te		
Him Her It	Lo La	Los Las	Them / Y'all

(Yo) no **lo** estaba teniendo.
I was not having **it**. :)

La estábamos mirando.
We were watching **it/her**.

(Yo) **lo** estaba bebiendo / comiendo.
I was drinking/ eating **it**.

Me estabas molestando.
You were bothering **me**.

Te estábamos peleando.
We were fighting **you**.

(Tú) **me la** estabas preguntando.
You were asking me **that/it**.

(Tú) Se **la** estabas preguntando.
You were asking them **that/it**.

Indirect Objects

- Find the verb and ask "To whom?"
- Indirect Objects always refer to people
- They are placed BEFORE conjugated verbs
- Examples:
 - Le digo la verdad. → I tell him the truth.
 - Les traigo el menú. → I bring them the menu.
 - Me lanza la pelota. → He throws the ball to me.



TO WHOM? and only sometimes FOR WHOM?

To Me	Me	Nos	To Us
To You	Te		
To Him	Le	Les	To Them / Y'all

You can even follow it at the end of the sentence sometimes with "a ellos/ellas / ustedes/nosotros" to clarify to which person you were referring, like:
Le estaba preguntando a él.

If in front of a direct object with an "L" like "lo/la", it becomes "se" :
like: **Se lo** estaba llevando: I'm bringing it to you.

Te estaba diciendo.
I was telling **you**.

Nos estabas preguntando.
You were asking **us**.

No **me** estabas escuchando.
You were not listening **to me**.

(Yo) **Les** estaba diciendo.
I was telling **them**.

(Él) **le** estaba lanzando la pelota (a él).
He was throwing the ball **to him/her**.

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Pronouns		Determiners		Indirect Object			Direct Object	
I	Yo	my	mi	to me	me	(a mí)	me	me
You	Tú	your	tu	to you	te	(a tí)	you	te
We	Nosotros	our	nuestr@	to us	nos	(a nosotr@s)	us	nos
He	Él	his	su	to him	le	(a él a ella)	him	lo / le
She	Ella	her		to her			her	la / le
They	Ell@s	their		to them	les	a ellos	them	los / las / les
Y'all	Ustedes	y'all		to y'all		a ustedes	y'all	les /os
It	-	its	_de_	to it	l@	(al / a la _)	it/that	l@

Key

If these boxes should ever be combined, (to say: __ did something to __)
 one "l" becomes an "S"
 (2 "L"s should never be seen with each other in Spanish).
 So the INDIRECT object "Le" becomes a "Se":
Se lo estaba dando (a ellos) = I was giving it to them.

- No nos estaban escuchando. _____.
- You're watching me. _____.
- Lo estoy bebiendo. _____.
- We are eating it. _____.
- Se lo estaban dando (a ellos). _____.
- They are bringing (llevar) it to her. _____.

GERUNDS + La Tarea de Español: DIRECT / INDIRECT Objects!

1. *Tu tío sincero me estaba comprando el almuerzo.*

2. Your friendly (*amable*) mother was telling me that (*que*) you were talking about (*de*) me (*mi*).

3. *Esa cebra morada nos estaba haciendo un pastel (cake) -para nosotros-.*

4. Y'all are taking their seat (*asiento*) from (*de*) them (*ellos / ellas*).

5. ¡*La estoy bebiendo mientras (while) tú estas hablando!*

6. Eight ugly cockroaches were looking at me!

7. ¿*Por qué (why) no me la estabas preguntando pero se la estabas preguntando a ellos?*
