**Apuntes 2.1 el verbo *gustar***

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The verb *gustar* literally means \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ but, in English, we often express this idea by saying that someone likes or dislikes an object or objects.

There are \_\_\_\_\_ parts to every *gustar* conjugation. The first part is an indirect object pronoun indicating *to whom* the item(s) or activity is pleasing. The second part is the conjugation of *gustar* that matches the subject (the item(s) or activity that is liked or disliked).

When expressing likes or dislikes of a singular object or of something one likes to do, use:

**indirect object pronoun**

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 **+** **gusta + singular object or**

 (3rd person singular form of gustar) **infinitive verb**



*Por ejemplo:*

 I like ice cream. = Me gusta el helado. (Literally: The ice cream is pleasing to me.)

 They like to sing. = Les gusta cantar. (Literally: Singing is pleasing to them.)

When expressing likes or dislikes of a plural object, use:

**indirect object pronoun**

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 **+** **gustan + plural object**

 (3rd person plural form of gustar)



*Por ejemplo:*

 You like cats. = Te gustan los gatos. (Literally: Cats are pleasing to you.)

**¡Atención!**

* **Always** use an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with each conjugation! Do NOT use subject pronouns like you do with other standard verb conjugations.
* To say something is not pleasing, use the word “no” \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the pronoun.

**Clarifiers**

Since we do not use normal subject pronouns with the conjugations of *gustar*, we can add emphasis by using a clarifying phrase in front of our indirect object pronoun. Use the following clarifiers:

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*Por ejemplo:*

A mis amigos y yo **nos gusta** el helado.

A los estudiantes no **les gusta** estudiar.

A Miguel no **le gustan** las arañas.



**El verbo *gustar***

