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Present Tense: Irregular Verbs 'ir' and 'venir'

Hello there! Today, we're diving into two super important and frequently used irregular verbs in Spanish: **ir** (to go) and **venir** (to come). For A1 level, these are essential! Their conjugations are irregular, meaning they don't follow the usual patterns. But don't worry, you'll get the hang of it!

Remember: Irregular verbs are a bit like those quirky relatives who don't follow the family rules! You just have to learn their unique ways.

Let's start with the verb **ir** – 'to go'. It's quite irregular, and its forms in the Presente de Indicativo (Present Simple) look like this:

Pronoun	ir (to go)
yo	voy
tú	vas
él/ella/usted	va
nosotros/as	vamos
vosotros/as	vais
ellos/ellas/ustedes	van

Yo voy a casa ahora.

I go home now.

Watch out! The verb **ir** often combines with the preposition **a** (to) when we talk about direction. For example, *Voy a la escuela* (I go to school). Keep this connection in mind!

Now let's move on to **venir** – 'to come'. This verb also has an irregular conjugation, especially in the first person singular ('yo') and in the stem for the other persons:

Pronoun	venir (to come)
yo	vengo
tú	vienes
él/ella/usted	viene
nosotros/as	venimos
vosotros/as	venís
ellos/ellas/ustedes	vienen

¿Vienes a mi fiesta?

Are you coming to my party?

Voy a casa.

~~Vengo a casa.~~

We use *ir* (to go) when moving away from the speaker. We use *venir* (to come) when moving towards the speaker.

- *ir*: We use it when we move **away from** where we are, **to** another place.
- *venir*: We use it when we move **towards** the speaker's location, or **to** a place discussed from the speaker's perspective.

That's all for today! I know irregular verbs can seem tricky at first, but the more you use them, the more natural they'll become. Good luck with the exercises!

Part 1 – Choose the correct word

Circle the option that correctly fills each gap.

1. ¿De dónde _____ tú?

Where are you coming from?

- A) vienen B) vienes C) vengo D) viene

2. Ella _____ a visitarme.

She is coming to visit me.

- A) vienes B) viene C) vengo D) venimos

3. Tú _____ de vacaciones.

You are going on holiday.

- A) va B) voy C) van D) vas

4. Yo _____ de España.

I come from Spain.

- A) viene B) vengo C) vienes D) venimos

5. Siempre _____ aquí.

We always come here.

- A) vienen B) vengo C) venís D) venimos

6. Yo _____ con mis amigos.

I am going with my friends.

- A) va B) voy C) vamos D) vas

7. Tú _____ la verdad siempre, ¿no?

You always tell the truth, don't you?

- A) dice B) decimos C) dices D) digo

8. Nosotras _____ al parque los domingos.

We go to the park on Sundays.

- A) vamos B) voy C) vais D) van

Part 2 – Fill in the gap

Write the missing word or phrase on the line.

1. ¿Ustedes _____ a la cena?

Are you coming to dinner?

2. Usted _____ a la oficina mañana.

You are going to the office tomorrow.

3. Ustedes _____ a cenar fuera.

You are going to have dinner out.

4. ¿De dónde _____ vosotros, chicos?

Where are you boys coming from?

5. Él _____ los deberes por la tarde.

He does his homework in the afternoon.

6. Vosotras _____ a la playa.

You are going to the beach.

Part 3 — Translate

Write each word in Spanish on the line.

1. we are coming › _____

2. we are going › _____

3. is coming › _____

4. I am coming › _____

5. you are coming › _____

6. to do › _____

Part 4 — Match the pairs

Write the letter of the matching translation next to each term.

Term	Translation
1. decir	A you are going (pl.)
2. va	B I am going
3. vamos	C is coming
4. vais	D we are going
5. hacer	E to say
6. voy	F to do
7. viene	G is going
8. Vienes	H you are coming

Answer Key

Part 1 — Choose the correct word

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| 1. B) vienes | 5. D) venimos |
| 2. B) viene | 6. B) voy |
| 3. D) vas | 7. C) dices |
| 4. B) vengo | 8. A) vamos |

Part 2 — Fill in the gap

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| 1. vienen | 4. venís |
| 2. va | 5. hace |
| 3. van | 6. vais |

Part 3 — Translate

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| 1. venimos | 4. Vengo |
| 2. vamos | 5. Vienes |
| 3. viene | 6. hacer |

Part 4 — Match the pairs

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| 1. E (to say) | 5. F (to do) |
| 2. G (is going) | 6. B (I am going) |
| 3. D (we are going) | 7. C (is coming) |
| 4. A (you are going (pl.)) | 8. H (you are coming) |