

Direct object pronouns (p. 360)

- A direct object tells who or what receives the action of the verb:

Busco una cadena. *I am looking for a chain.*

- In the sentence above, **cadena** is the direct object noun.
- You can use a direct object pronoun to replace a direct object noun.
- The direct object pronoun must match the noun it replaces in both gender and number:

Compré un suéter. → **Lo** compré. (*masculine, singular*)

Compré una falda. → **La** compré. (*feminine singular*)

Compré unos aretes. → **Los** compré. (*masculine plural*)

Compré unas pulseras. → **Las** compré. (*feminine plural*)

- The direct object comes *before* a verb in the present tense or the preterite tense.

Lo tengo aquí. (*I have it here.*)

Lo compré anoche. (*I bought it last night.*)

A. Underline the direct object noun in each sentence.

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| 1. Busco unos guantes nuevos. | 5. Compramos un collar. |
| 2. La dependienta vendió el perfume. | 6. Miramos unas corbatas. |
| 3. Compré dos llaveros. | 7. Buscaron una cadena. |
| 4. Llevamos nuestras carteras. | 8. Preparé el almuerzo. |

B. Write each noun you circled in part A on the following lines. Write M or F next to the noun, depending on whether it is masculine or feminine. Then write S or P next to that, depending on whether the noun is singular or plural. Follow the model.

Modelo guantes M, P

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| 1. _____ | 5. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 6. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 7. _____ |
| 4. _____ | |

C. Now, write the correct direct object pronoun to replace each noun you wrote in part B. Follow the model.

Modelo guantes, M, P: Los busqué.

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| 1. _____ vendió. | 5. _____ miramos. |
| 2. _____ compré. | 6. _____ buscaron. |
| 3. _____ llevamos. | 7. _____ preparé. |
| 4. _____ compramos. | |