



Time formula

Time Expression with Hacer

- ▶ Describes an action that began in the past and has continued into the present time.

FORMULA

Hace + time+ que+ present tense verb

I have been studying French for 3 years.

Hace tres años que estudio francés.




They have been studying Spanish for 5 years.

Hace cinco años que ellos
estudian español.

PRÁCTICA

1. They have been running for 2 months.
2. I have been playing golf for 3 days.
3. You have been cooking for 3 years.

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- ▶ To make it a negative expression, add no to the pattern in front of the conjugated verb.

Hace + time+ que+ NO present
tense verb

NEGATIVA

- Yo no estudiar español un año

I have not studied Spanish for a year.

Hace un año que **no** estudio español.

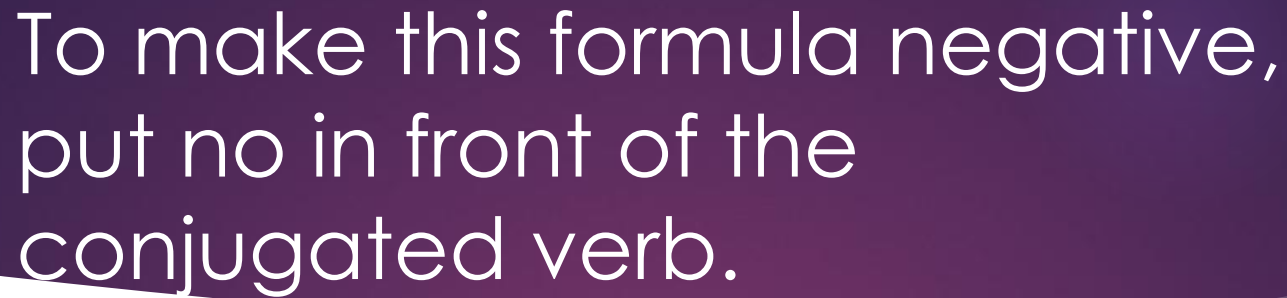
Formula “desde hace”

Present tense verb + desde hace + time

I have been studying Spanish for 3year.
Estudio español desde hace tres años.

Práctica

1. They have been studying for 2 months.
2. I have been playing tennis for 3 days.
3. You have been running for 3 years.



To make this formula negative,
put no in front of the
conjugated verb.

NO Present tense verb + desde
hace + time

No estudio español desde hace un
año .

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How do you ask what length of time an action has been taking place?

¿Desde cuándo present tense
verb?