

Lesson 5.3

I can give today's date, Talk about the weather

Así se dice

Giving today's date

To find out today's date, ask:

- ¿Cuál es la fecha?
- ¿Qué fecha es hoy?

To give today's date, say:

Hoy es el **primero de diciembre**.
... is the first of December.

Es el **quince de enero**.
It's the fifteenth of January.

To tell on what date something happens, say:

El **cuatro de este mes** hay un examen.
On the fourth of this month...

Nota gramatical

The formula for giving today's date is **el + number + de + month**: **el quince de junio**. The first day of the month is called **el primero**. Note that in Spanish you omit the "on" in expressions like *on the fifth*.

La fiesta es el cinco de mayo.
The party is on the fifth of May.

Cuaderno de gramática,
pp. 42-43, Acts.12-14

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p. 162, Act. 7

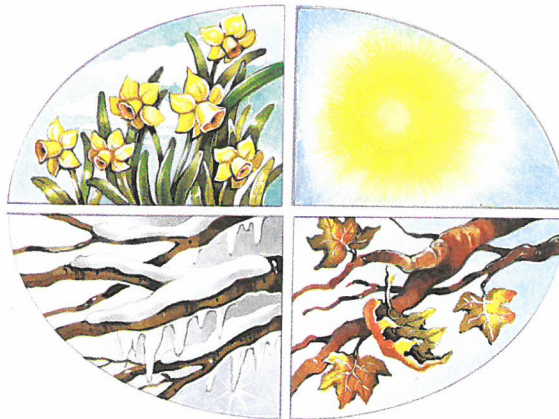
Vocabulario

primavera

- marzo
- abril
- mayo

el invierno

- diciembre
- enero
- febrero



el verano

- junio
- julio
- agosto

el otoño

- septiembre
- octubre
- noviembre

El otoño es una estación.
Hay cuatro estaciones en un año.

Octubre es un mes.
Hay doce meses en un año.

Hace frío.
Hace mucho calor.

Hace fresco.

Hace viento.

Nieva.

Llueve.

Está nublado.

Hace sol.

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Situation 5-3: Interview

My family is thinking about moving to your city. Can you give me some information about the weather?

- ¿Qué tiempo hace en la primavera?
- ¿Nieva mucho en el invierno?
- ¿Hace buen tiempo en el verano?
- ¿En qué meses hace calor?

■ TERCER PASO

To give today's date, you'll need to use numbers and months. To talk about the weather, you'll need to use a variety of weather expressions.

VOCABULARIO Seasons and months

11 One of your responsibilities as secretary of the Spanish Club is to help create the calendar which the club sells every year at their fundraiser. Match the months in the box with the correct season.

octubre	abril	julio	diciembre	agosto
	junio	mayo		noviembre
febrero	enero	septiembre	marzo	

1. el invierno: _____
2. la primavera: _____
3. el verano: _____
4. el otoño: _____

Nota Gramatical Giving today's date

Use the formula **el + number de + month** to give today's date. Use **el primero** for the first day. In Spanish the "on" is omitted in expressions like *on the sixth*.

Hoy es **el veinte de julio**. *Today is July 20th.*

La fiesta es **el diez**. *The party is on the tenth.*

12 Your friend from Spain wants to know when Conchita Martínez will be playing while on tour in the U. S. Write the dates of her tennis matches in Spanish.

1. January 25 _____
2. February 13 _____
3. March 18 _____
4. April 2 _____
5. May 15 _____
6. July 4 _____
7. September 7 _____
8. December 12 _____

CAPÍTULO 5 Tercer paso

13 You've volunteered to help prepare the newsletter for the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. Your task is to prepare the list of the ten scheduled meetings for this year. In Spanish, write the dates for the following scheduled meetings.

1. January 8 _____
2. February 18 _____
3. March 11 _____
4. April 26 _____
5. May 19 _____
6. June 20 _____
7. July 5 _____
8. August 1 _____
9. September 14 _____
10. October 9 _____
11. November 30 _____
12. December 15 _____

14 Beth works in a very busy office! She's trying to schedule meetings around all the trips everyone will be taking for the next few months. In Spanish, write where each person is going and when he or she plans to leave.

MODELO María / Cancún / August 4 María va a Cancún el cuatro de agosto.

1. Peter / Los Ángeles / February 17

2. Carol / New York City / March 23

3. Pablo / Chicago / April 26

4. Miguel y Bridget / Philadelphia / June 1

5. Tú / Santiago de Chile / July 18

6. Bárbara y Abby / Austin, Texas / September 6

7. Yo / Denver / October 9

8. Denise / Miami / November 16

VOCABULARIO

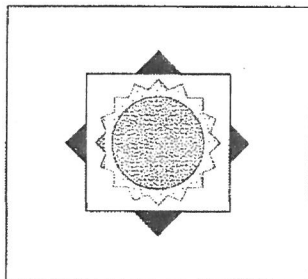
Weather expressions

15 It's Julio's first day as a weather forecaster and he's arrived late! Help him get ready for his appearance by matching the weather reports in the word box to the weather conditions for the cities listed below.

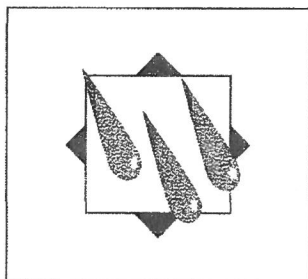
Hace frío.	Hace fresco.	Nieva.	Está nublado.
Hace mucho calor.	Hace viento.	Llueve.	Hace sol.

- _____ 1. a windy day in Chicago
- _____ 2. a bright, sunny day in San Diego
- _____ 3. a very hot afternoon in Phoenix
- _____ 4. a rainy morning in Seattle
- _____ 5. a cloudy day in Milwaukee
- _____ 6. a cool evening in Boston
- _____ 7. a snowy day in Aspen
- _____ 8. a cold morning in Minneapolis

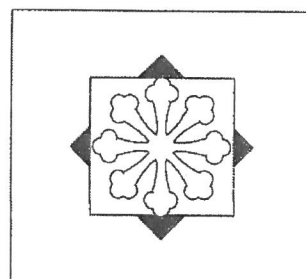
16 Write a description of the weather in the following cities according to the illustrations.



Phoenix



Seattle



Minneapolis

- 1. En Phoenix _____.
- 2. En Seattle _____.
- 3. En Minneapolis _____.