

PRESENT TENSE -ar VERBS!!

VERBS: the 2 forms

The **INFINITIVO** form of a verb

- ♦ always ends in -R
- ♦ always is translated as "to ..."

EX: *ser* → ends in "r" → means "to be"

The **CONJUGATED** form of a verb

- ♦ changes its spelling to go with its subject (pronoun)
(= I, you, he, they, we, etc.)

EX: *ser* → for "yo" we say "**soy**" → for "él", we say "**es**"

We are now going to start using a big group of verbs in Spanish that we call the "**-ar verbs**"

The **INFINITIVO** form of an **-ar verb**

- ♦ always ends in -AR
- ♦ always is translated as "to ..."

EX: *cantar* → ends in "-AR" → means "to sing"

Stems? • Endings? • Conjugated forms?

To **CONJUGATE** -AR verbs we

- ♦ remove the -AR from the infinitivo... Then we are left with what we call
- ♦ the STEM of the verb. To the stem we add what we call
- ♦ the ENDING and end up with a CONJUGATED VERB

HERE ARE OUR **-AR** ENDINGS!!!

Yo ... O	Nosotros ... AMOS
Tú ... AS	Vosotros ... ÁIS
Él, Ella, Usted ... A	Ellos, Ellas, Ustedes ... AN

Ex. *Hablar* = to speak
Habl... = (stem)

yo) *Hablo* = CONJUGATED VERB form = I speak / I (am) speaking

This is what we call: **the PRESENT TENSE**

We translate the present tense **two** ways:

(EX): • we speak • we are speaking