

VERB

Tener-->To Have

The verb "tener" (teh-NEHR) means "to have". It is an irregular verb, which means that it does not follow the normal conjugation rules. (Sometimes tener is used to describe state of being.)

Tener is used in the following ways:

- To describe possession Yo tengo un lapiz.-----> I have a pencil.
- To describe state of being Yo tengo miedo.-----> I am scared.
- To tell your age Tengo 5 años.-----> I am 5 years old.

yo	I	I have----> yo tengo
tú	you	you have----> tú tienes
él/ella/Ud.	he/she/sir	he has----> él tiene
nosotros	we	we have----> nosotros tenemos
vosotros	they/you plural (Spain)	they have----> vosotros tenéis
ellos/ellas/Uds.	they/you plural (Latin America)	they have----> ellos tienen

Let's practice conjugating the verb "to have" (tener).

Yo tengo cinco vacas.
I have five cows.

Tú tienes mucho hambre.
You are very hungry.

Lucy tiene frío.
Lucy is cold.

Ella tiene sueño.
She is very tired.

Él tiene mucho miedo.
He is very scared.

Nosotros tenemos mucha sed.
We are very thirsty.

Ellas tienen tos.
The girls have a cough.

Vosotros tenéis calor.
They are hot.

Mimi tiene un carro.
Mimi has a car.

Eddy tiene un libro de dibujo.
Eddy has a book about drawing.