SER v ESTAR

ESTAR – feelings / locations (en)

SER – characteristics / origin (de)

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| Singular People | **SER** | **ESTAR** | Meaning | Plural Person | **SER** | **ESTAR** | Meaning |
| Yo | **Soy** | **Estoy** | I am  | Nosotros / as | **Somos** | **Estamos** | We are  |
| Tú | **Eres** | **Estás** | You are | Vosotros / as | **Sois** | **Estáis** | You guys are in Spain |
| Él | **Es** | **Está** | He is | Ellos | **Son** | **Están** | They are |
| Ella | **Es** | **Está** | She is  | Ellas | **Son** | **Están** | They are |
| Ud.  | **Es** | **Está** | You (formal) are | Uds. | **Son** | **Están** | You guys are |

Ser can be thought of as something permanent and unchanging. Estar can be thought of as something that changes and isn’t permanent. This is not a 100% rule but as you learn it can be helpful to think about.

Feelings

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| Ocupado | Busy |
| Enfermo | Sick |
| Cansado | Tired |
| Feliz, alegre, contento | Happy |
| Triste | Sad |
| Emocionado | Excited |
| Nervioso | Nervous |
| Deprimido | Depressed |
| Tranquilo | Calm |
| Enojado | Mad |
| Listo | Ready |
| Preocupado | Worried |

Locations

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| --- | --- |
| La playa | The beach |
| La piscina / la alberca | The pool |
| El centro comercial | The mall |
| El parque | The park |
| El gimnasio | The gym |
| La escuela | The school |
| La iglesia | The church |
| La discoteca | The dance club |
| El partido de (fútbol) | The (soccer) game |
| La cancha | The court, field |
| La biblioteca | The library |

Characteristics

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| Artístico | Artistic |
| Atlético | Athletic |
| Bueno | Good |
| Cómico | Funny |
| Desorganizado | Disorganized |
| Estudioso | Studious |
| Inteligente | Smart |
| Malo | Bad |
| Organizado | Organized |
| Perezoso | Lazy |
| Serio | Serious |
| Simpático | Nice |
| Trabajador | Hardworking |
| Alto | Tall |
| Bajo | Short |
| Grande | Big |
| Guapo | Handsome |
| Joven | Young |
| Pequeño | Small |
| Viejo | Old |
| Gracisoso | Silly |
| Callado | Quiet |