

User's Manual for eVerbo© for the PalmOS™ Device

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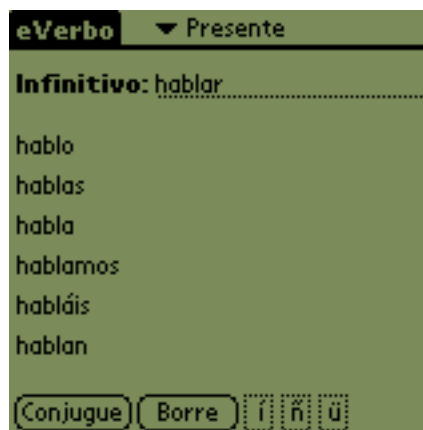
What is eVerbo©?

eVerbo© is an application for the PalmOS™ device which is designed to conjugate any valid Spanish infinitive in any tense. The user is responsible for entering a valid Spanish infinitive into the text field which is labeled *Infinitivo*. By selecting a tense from a popup list or by tapping the *Conjugue* button, the application will display the appropriate forms of the designated verb.

Using eVerbo©.

At startup, the application will display the forms of the verb that were visible when the program was last stopped.

- Use the *Borre* button to erase the text field labeled *Infinitivo*.
- Enter a valid Spanish infinitive.
- To display the forms of the infinitive on the screen, either
 - Tap the *Conjugue* button, or
 - Select another tense from the popup list of tenses.



The forms of the verb will be displayed instantaneously for the infinitive and the tense selected. At exit, the infinitive and verb forms on the active form will be saved and displayed at the next startup.

How Does It Do That?

The eVerbo© application is programmed to identify words which could potentially be a valid Spanish infinitive, although it will accept words which are not valid Spanish infinitives. In this respect, the application will conjugate *hablar* correctly in any tense, but it will also conjugate “talkar”, which is not a valid Spanish infinitive, just the same as a valid infinitive. The user must make sure that the infinitive is correct in order to produce the desired results. The user must enter “oír” and not “oir”, for example, to produce the correct forms of this verb. Additionally the infinitive text field is limited to twenty (20) characters. If the input in the text field is longer than 20 characters or if the input does not resemble the morphology of a Spanish infinitive, an error dialogue will be shown, and the user will not be permitted to continue.

Some Spanish verbs have optional forms for some tenses. *Placer* is an example of this type of verb. In these cases, the program intends to display the most commonly accepted or expected forms of the verb. Defective verbs, like *abolir*, may be conjugated only in certain persons of certain tenses. Similarly, impersonal verbs are conjugated only the third person singular.

From Trial/Demo to Registered Version.

The present version of eVerbo1.2©, offers the complete functionality of the registered version, but use is limited to twenty (20) uses after installation. The trial/demo version may be unlocked at any time with an unlock key available for \$19.95 at www.floodlight.net.



Enhancements to Version 1.2.

There are three major enhancements to version 1.2. (1) Certain programming function calls did not work properly on all versions of all PalmOS devices and produced incorrect results or none at all. Recent testing now indicates that these function calls will now operate correctly on all PalmOS ROMs of 3.1 or greater. (2) Buttons have been added to the main form which permit the user to enter accented characters into the text field with a single tap. In order to enter accented characters previously, the user had to access the Palm keyboard, tap again to access the Int'l characters, tap again to select the accented character, and then tap once again to get back to the original infinitive text field. All this is now reduced to a single tap with the new buttons added in version 1.2. (3) A few verbs were not correctly recognized as stem changing verbs, and these have been corrected in version 1.2.

Requirements.

This application will run on any PalmOS™ device with an operating system of 3.1 or higher. Purchase of this software entitles a single user on a single device. Duplication or alteration of this software is prohibited.

Disclaimer.

The application eVerbo© is intended to generate the correct forms for any Spanish verb in any tense for which a valid infinitive has been entered. The forms have been meticulously proofed, and all infinitive forms of modern Spanish have been considered. By using this application, the user agrees not to hold the author legally responsible for any errors or omissions. Any suggestions for improvement or correction can be submitted to info@floodlight.net. Copyright 2000 by Timothy M. Flood, Ph.D. All rights reserved.