

estar

STATE OF BEING OR HOW SOMETHING IS (PLACE+)

POSITION/POSICIÓN: to express position

- where a person or thing is at physically:
Estoy en la ciudad de Madrid. *I am in the city of Madrid.*
Mi marido está en casa. *My husband is at home.*

LOCATION/UBICACIÓN: to express or indicate location, to ask about the location of a person or object

- where a person or thing is at on a physical map or in accordance with your surroundings; it can also refer to where something is permanently, temporarily or conceptually located:
La silla está al lado del escritorio. *The chair is next to the desk.*
Los perros están en la alfombra. *The dogs are on the rug.*
***recuerda: se usa "ser" para eventos

ACTION/ACCIÓN: to express actions [estar + gerund]

- to use with progressive tenses:
Estamos leyendo el libro esta semana. *We are reading the book this week.*

CONDITION/CONDICIÓN: to express conditions, states of health or being

- depending on the situation, using the word "estar" can describe physical and mental conditions:
Estás sano, ¿verdad? *You're healthy, aren't you?*
Estás tan cansada esta mañana. *You are very tired this morning.*
Mi vecina está enferma hoy. *My neighbor is sick today.*
Tu perro está un poco confundido. *Your dog is a little confused.*

EMOTION/EMOCIÓN: to express emotions, changes in feelings or perceptions; or to convey a feeling or perception

- to describe how a person is feeling at any time, a state that will not last very long:
Ellos están contentos. *They are happy.*
Estoy triste porque obtuve una mala nota. *I'm sad because I got a bad grade.*
Él está aburrido porque no tiene tarea. *He is bored because he has no homework.*

AS WELL AS/ADEMÁS:

- CHANGE FROM THE NORM/CAMBIO DE LA NORMA:** to express a change from the norm (a condition), or how the speaker feels about or perceives the person or object
Jorge está delgado.* *Jorge is thin.* (Jorge looks thin.)

IDIOMATIC EXPRESSIONS/EXPRESIONES IDIOMÁTICAS: to use with various idiomatic expressions.

- María está en las nubes. *María is daydreaming.*