# Spanish – Stage 4 – How much is it?

## Introduction

This resource provides an example of how numeracy can be embedded into teaching and learning programs in a meaningful, stage-appropriate way. It can be modified to suit your context, including the needs of your students.

## Syllabus outcomes

**ML4-UND-01** interprets and responds to information, opinions and ideas in texts to demonstrate understanding

**ML4-CRT-01** creates a range of texts for familiar communicative purposes by using culturally appropriate language

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## Language structures

* Greeting and thanking the shop assistant
* Ordering food (*Me gustaría…*)
* Understanding pronouns
* Shopping for shoes:
* *Me gustan los zapatos.*
* Asking to try shoes on (*¿Puedo probármelos?*)
* Discussing size (*¿Qué talla de zapatos lleva? Llevo talla 38.*)
* Saying you will take them (*Me los llevo.*)

## Numeracy skills

### Proportional thinking

Students convert currency between the Australian dollar and the Euro using the exchange rate (PrT5).

### Understanding money

Students determine the best payment option to buy shoes (UnM9).

## Further numeracy resources

* [Comparing rates](https://resources.education.nsw.gov.au/detail/IPT-09)
* [Working with rates [PDF 202 KB]](https://drive.google.com/file/d/10CM6K5fb9UA8xIDbkSxYOueRtNrqo6FT/view)
* [Understanding rates [PDF 193 KB](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Dx8WB4g3V6jncSAQpB6aH_B8FKkB_yUp/view)]

### Answers

#### Scenario 1

Are the churros cheaper in Spain or Australia?

1. €4 ÷ $0.62 = $6.45 (the cost of the Spanish churros, in dollars)
2. $10 x $0.62 = €6,20 (the cost of the Australian churros, in Euro)

Answer: The churros are cheaper in Spain, by $3.55.

#### Scenario 2

1. What is the cheapest option – using your credit card or withdrawing the money from the ATM and paying in cash?
2. If I use my credit card:
	* 1. Conversion fee: €2 ÷ €0,62= $3.22
		2. Price of shoes: €70 ÷ €0,62= $112.90

The total cost of the shoes if I use my card is $112.90 (shoes) + $3.22 (conversion fee) = $116.12.

1. If I withdraw money from an ATM:
	* 1. Price of shoes: €70 ÷ 0,63 = A$111.11

Answer: If I withdraw money from the ATM, the shoes are cheaper by $5.01.

1. Now rewrite the dialogue, purchasing *las botas* (boots).

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| Person speaking | Spanish dialogue |
| You | *Me gustan las botas. ¿Puedo probármelas?* |
| Shop assistant | *¿Qué talla de botas lleva usted?* |
| You | *Llevo talla 38.* |
| Shop assistant | *Ellas encajan?* |
| You | *Sí, ellas encajan bien. Me las llevo.* |

## Student worksheet – How much is it?

### *¿Cuánto cuesta?*

Oh no! There is no internet so you cannot calculate currency conversions online! Read each scenario and answer the questions.

#### Scenario 1

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| A tablet showing there is no internet.[Images](https://unsplash.com/photos/ff96HE413W0) licensed under [Unsplash License](https://unsplash.com/license). | Picture of churros.[Images](https://unsplash.com/photos/ewylbQ9e6go?utm_source=unsplash&utm_medium=referral&utm_content=creditCopyText) licensed under [Unsplash License](https://unsplash.com/license). |

You are in a *cafetería* in Barcelona and you want to order *churros con chocolate.*

In Australia, you can get *churros con chocolate* at San Churros for $10. In Barcelona, the price for *churros con chocolate* is €4.

The last time you checked, the exchange rate was $1 to €0,62.

1. Are the churros cheaper in Spain or Australia? Show your working and then write your answer.

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1. In Spanish, write how you would greet the shop assistant and order the churros:

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#### Scenario 2



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You’ve seen a pair of shoes that you love in a *tienda de zapatos*.

The shoes cost €70.

You can buy them on your credit card – your credit card is offering an exchange rate of $1 to €0,62. However, you will also be charged a €2 currency conversion fee if you use your card.

Alternatively, you can withdraw money from the nearest ATM at a rate of $1 to €0,63. You will not be charged a conversion fee at the ATM.

1. What is the cheapest option – using your credit card or withdrawing the money from the ATM and paying in cash? Show your working and then write your answer.
2. Look at the sample conversation between you and the shop assistant.

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| Person speaking | Spanish dialogue |
| You | *Me gustan los zapatos. ¿Puedo probármelos?* |
| Shop assistant | *¿Qué talla de zapatos lleva usted?* |
| You | *Llevo talla 38.* |
| Shop assistant | *Ellos encajan?* |
| You | *Sí, ellos encajan bien. Me los llevo.* |

**The word for shoes is *los zapatos*.**

**In the dialogue above, there are 2 forms of pronouns referring to the shoes. (A pronoun is a word used to replace a noun.)**

* ***Ellos*** *encajan bien.* (**They** fit well – ‘they’ replaces ‘the shoes’ as the **subject** of the sentence.)
* *Me* ***los*** *llevo.* (I’ll take **them** – ‘them’ replaces ‘the shoes’ as the **direct object** of the sentence.)

**Highlight these words in the dialogue – take care, as one ‘*los*’ is hiding in another word!**

**Now rewrite the dialogue, purchasing *las botas* (boots).**

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| Person speaking | Spanish dialogue |
| You |  |
| Shop assistant |  |
| You |  |
| Shop assistant |  |
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