**Study Guide**

**Adjectives in Spanish**

The adjective goes after the noun in Spanish. It must agree with the noun (feminine, masculine, singular and plural)

La camisa roja = the red shirt

Las camisas rojas = the red shirts

El libro rojo = the red book

Los libros rojos = the red books

La camisa es roja. = The shirt is red.

Singular:

Adjectives that end in “o” change to an “a” for the feminine form.

**Plurals:**

1. If the adjective ends in a vowel, add an “s” to make it plural.

rojo goes to rojos

roja goes to rojas

1. If it ends in a consonant, add an “es” to make it plural.

azul goes to azules

1. If it ends in an “r”, you add “es” for masculine plural, but “as” for feminine plural

trabajador goes to trabajadores

trabajadora goes to trabajdoras.

**Nationalities: (are never capitalized)**

1. americano goes to americanos and americana to americanas
2. inglés goes to ingleses, for masculine plural and inglesas for feminine plural. (japonés follows this rule too)
3. alemán goes to alemanes for masculine plural, but alemanas for feminine plural (español follows this rule too)
4. canadienses and costarricenses do not change, for masculine or feminine plural.

**Adjective forms**

1. Rojo changes to roja Adj. that end in o, change to a for the feminine form
2. Verde does not change Adj. that end in an “e” do not change.
3. Azul does not change from masculine to feminine. Some adj. that end in a consonant do not change
4. Trabajador changes to trabajadora. Adj that end in r add, an “a”
5. Nationalities:

chino goes to china

frances goes to francesa

alemán goes to alemana

japonés goes to japonesa

español goes to española

canadiense does not change

costarricense does no change

inglés goes to inglesa

bueno/a and malo/mala can go before or after the noun

* When placed before the noun, bueno becomes buen, and malo becomes mal.
* Juan es un buen amigo. = Juan is a good friend.
* El es un mal amigo. = = He is a bad friend.

Grande: when grande is placed before a singular noun, it is shortened to “gran”

This changes its meaning. Depending on where it is placed:

El es un gran hombre = He is a great man.

El es un hombre grande. = He is a big man.