Saying what you know: The Verb Saber

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The Verb Saber

Saber Means to know information, facts, and or how to do something, **NOT** to know/be familiar with a person or a place (that's conocer).

| 1. conozco | 1. conocemos |
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| 2. conoces | 2. conocéis |
| 3. conoce | 3. conocen |

Just like conocer, SABER has an irregular "YO" form, but the remaining conjugations follow the regular -ER pattern.

SABER = to know (not stem-changing)

| 1. sé | 1. sabemos |
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| 2. sabes | 2. sabéis |
| 3. sabe | 3. saben |

Ex. ¿Sabe él a qué hora empieza la práctica?. Does he know what time practice starts?

¿Sabes qué? No, no sé. (Do) you know what? No, I don't know.

To say that someone knows how to do something, use the formula:

Saber + Infinitive verb

Ex: (YO) Sé patinar muy bien.

I know how to skate very well. ("how" is implied)

Abuela, ¡Usted sabe cocinar! Grandma, you know how to cook!

Carlos y Juan saben usar la máquina. Carlos and Juan know how to use the machine.