

**Expressions that are formed in Spanish with “tener + sustantivo” and in English  
with “to be + adjective**

**Tener hambre = To be hungry (I’m hungry)**

**Tener sed = to be thirsty (I’m thirsty)**

**Tener 30 años = to be 30 years old (I’m 30.)**

**Tener frío = to be cold**

**Tener calor = to be hot**

**Tener sueño = to be sleepy (or tired)**

**Tener miedo = to be afraid**

**Tener razón = to be right (to be wrong = no tener razón; estar equivocado/a**

**Tener ilusión por algo = to be excited or happy about (doing) something**

**Tener curiosidad = to be curious (about something)**

**Tener o no tener importancia = to be (or not be) important**

**Tener náuseas = to be nauseous**

**Tener gracia = to be funny or amusing**

**Tener cuidado = to be careful (No tener cuidado = to be careless)**

**Tener cara = to be cheeky**

**Tener tacto = to be tactful ( No tener tacto = to be tactless)**

**Tener rabia = to be angry /furious**

**Tener interés = to be interested /interesting**

***Tengo interés por algo = I’m interested in***

***(No) tiene interés = It is (or isn’t) interesting***

**Tener valor = to be valuable or to be worth a lot**

**Tener buen (o mal) humor = to be in a good (or bad) mood**

**Tener suerte = to be lucky (or unlucky)**

**Tener (mucho) talento = to be (very) talented**

**Tener éxito = to be successful**

**Tener ganas de hacer algo = to be keen on (doing something) or  
to feel like doing something**

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**Tener sentido = to make sense (*That doesn’t make sense.*)**

**Tener noticias de alguien = to hear from somebody**