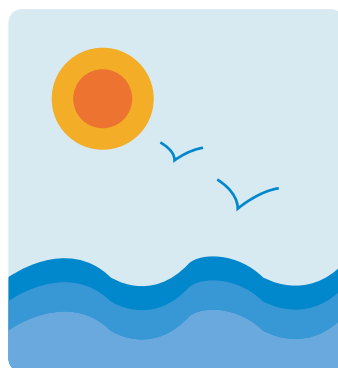


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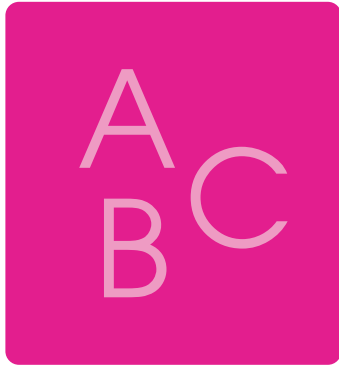
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The Spanish Helper is a tool for the traveller to learn a little Spanish on their way to Mexico and Latin America. Even though English is widely spoken in Mexico, these Spanish words and phrases will make you feel a part of the culture.

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Basic Pronunciation



The first thing to keep in mind is that in Spanish, unlike English, the pronunciation of vowels and letters remain the same regardless of the word they are in. Therefore, it's easy for native speakers to understand you as a beginner in this language.

Pronouncing vowels in Spanish is more distinct than in English. However, we have similar sounds in English that we can relate to and make ourselves understand.

A: is pronounced similarly as the “a” on “father”.

I: is pronounced similarly as the “ee” in “feet” or the “e” in “me”

O: is pronounced as the “o” in “Tom” although a little briefer.

E: is pronounced as the “e” in “met”, similarly as the “eh” for Canadians.

U: is usually pronounced as the “oo” in “boot”. However, in the combinations of “gui” and “gue” as well as “qui” and “que” the “u” is silent. Example: quiero, guerra, guía.

If “u” should be pronounced, an umlaut (two dots called dieresis) is placed over it. Example: vergüenza, lingüística

The letter **y:** generally “y” is pronounced as the same as it would if it were an “i” Examples: rey, soy. However, when followed by a vowel is pronounced as the “j” in “jar”. Examples: yo, yacer, yema.

Letters are basically all pronounced as in English except for the following cases:

Letter **CH:** This is a letter in the Spanish alphabet. It is similarly pronounced as “ch” in “choice”, although a little briefer.

Letter **G:** is pronounced as “g” in “goat” when followed by “a, o, u, ui, ue”. Example: Gato, goma, Guerra. When followed by “i, e” the letter “g” is pronounced as “h” in “hat”. gitana, género.

Basic Pronunciation

Letter **H**: “h” in Spanish is silent. However, the combination “ch” is pronounced as in English “ch” in “charming”.

Letter **J**: is pronounced as “h” in “heat”.

Letter **LL**: This is a letter in the Spanish alphabet. It is similarly pronounced as “j” in “joy”. Example: lluvia, llamar

Letter **Ñ**: This is a letter in the Spanish alphabet. It is similarly pronounced as if we combined “gn” in the French word “mignon”. Example: niño, años.

Letter **Q**: the letter “q” in Spanish will always be followed by “ui” or “ue” and is pronounced as “k” in “kiosk”. Examples: queso, quinta.

Letter **V**: is pronounced in Latin America as the letter “B”. However, in Spain this letter is pronounced as English “v” in “van”.

Letter **Z**: is pronounced as “s” in “soap”. Example: zapato, zorro.

In the Airport



Important words

- | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. The Suitcases | Las Maletas |
| 2. The Ticket | El Boleto |
| 3. The Passport | El Pasaporte |
| 4. The Customs Office | La Aduana |
| 5. Overload | Sobrecupo |
| 6. The Luggage | El Equipaje |
| 7. The Baggage Claim Ticket | El Talón |
| 8. The Boarding Pass | El Pase de abordar |
| 9. The Flight | El Vuelo |

In the Airport

10. The Flight Attendant	10. El Ayudante de Vuelo
11. The Baggage Claim Area	11. El Reclamo de Equipaje
12. The Food Court	12. El Area De Comidas
13. The Waiting Room	13. La Sala de Espera
14. The Bus Station	14. La Estación de Bus
15. The Taxi	15. El Taxi

Useful Phrases

1. Where is the Exit?	1. Donde está la salida?
2. Is the flight delayed?	2. Está atrasado el vuelo?
3. Is the flight on time?	3. El vuelo sale a tiempo?
4. Can you please help me with my suitcases?	4. Me podría por favor ayudar con las maletas?
5. Where are you going?	5. Para donde va usted?
6. I'm going to Mexico	6. Yo voy para Mexico
7. Which terminal are you looking for?	7. Que terminal está buscando?
8. I'm looking for the international terminal	8. Estoy buscando el terminal internacional
9. I would like to have the window/aisle seat	9. Me gustaría estar en el asiento de la ventana/pasillo
10. Where can I claim my luggage?	10. Donde puedo reclamar mi equipaje?
12. How many bags do you have?	12. Cuantas maletas tiene?
13. Could you please tell me where is the airline...?	13. Me puede indicar donde queda la aerolínea...?
14. Where is the elevator?	14. Donde está el elevador?
15. Where can I take a taxicab?	15. Donde puedo tomar un taxi?
16. Where is the bus station?	16. Donde está la estación de bus?

In the Hotel



Important Words

1. The Room	La Habitación
2. The Non Smoking Area	El Area de No Fumadores
3. The Lobby	La Recepción
4. The breakfast	El Desayuno
5. The Pool	La Piscina
6. Laundry Service	Servicio de Lavandería
7. The Keys	La Llave
8. Room Service	Servicio de habitación
9. The Balcony	El Balcón
10. The Beach View	La Vista al Mar
11. With Air Conditioned	Con Aire acondicionado
12. The Lunch	El almuerzo
13. The Hot Water	El agua caliente
14. The voicemail	El mensaje de voz
15. The additional bed	La Cama adicional

Useful Phrases

1. What's the cost per night?	Cuanto cuesta cada noche?
2. Is breakfast included?	El desayuno está incluido?
3. May I see the room?	Me permite ver la habitación?
4. I don't like this room	No me gusta esta habitación
5. Do you have a single room?	Tiene una habitación sencilla?
6. Are the meals included?	Están las comidas incluidas?
7. Do you have bellhop service?	Tienen servicio de botones?
8. Is it possible to change the room?	Es posible cambiar de habitación?
9. There is no hot water	No hay agua caliente
10. Could you please tell me where the stairs/elevators are?	Me podría indicar donde están las escaleras/ascensores?
11. Could you please give me the bill?	Me podría dar la cuenta por favor?
12. Can you suggest a good restaurant close to the hotel?	Puede recomendarme un buen restaurante cerca al hotel?

in the Hotel

13. Can I please have a towel?	Me podría dar una toalla por favor?
14. Do you have bus shuttle service?	Tiene servicio de buses al aeropuerto?
15. Can you please call a taxicab?	Puede llamarme un taxi por favor?

At the Restaurant



Important Words

1. The Waiter (The Waitress)	1.El Mesero (La Mesera)
2. Today's Menu	2. Menu del día
3. Well Done	3. Bien Cocido
4. Rare	4. Poco Cocido
5. Glass of Water	5. Vaso con Agua
6. Salad Bar	6. Barra de Ensaladas
7. The dessert	7. El Postre
8. Kids Menu	8. Menu Infantil
9. The Plate	9. El Plato
10. The Napkin	10. La Servilleta
11. Spicy	11. Picante
12. Not spicy	12. No picante
13. The Tip	13. La Propina
14. The Beer	14. La Cerveza
15. A pop	15. Una soda
16. Ready to order	16. Listos para ordenar

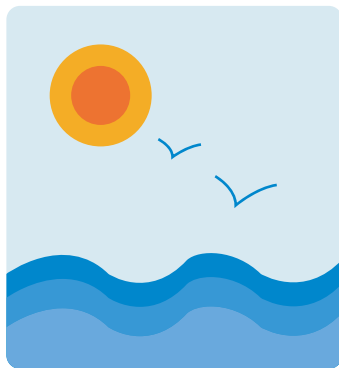
Useful Phrases

1. I reserved a table for two	1.Reservé una mesa para dos
2. May I have the menu?	2. Me permite la carta por favor?
3. I'd like Mexican food	3. Yo quiero comida Mexicana
4. What will you drink?	4. Que desea tomar?
5. Do you receive Credit Card?	5. Reciben Tarjeta de Crédito?
6. What do you recommend?	6. Que me recomienda?
7. (don't) like it	7. (No) me gusta
8. Can I have some bread?	8. Me puede traer pan por favor?
9. The bill, please	9. La cuenta, por favor
10. Can I have ketchup?	10. Me puede traer salsa de tomate?

At the Restaurant

11. A bottle of wine please?	Una botella de vino por favor?
12. More water please	Más agua por favor
13. It was delicious, thank you	Estuvo delicioso, gracias
14. Coffee please	Un café por favor
15. May I have another beer please?	Otra cerveza por favor

At the Beach



Important Words

1. The beach	La playa
2. The sun block	El protector solar
3. Sun tan	Tomar el Sol
4. High Tide	Marea Alta
5. Low Tide	Marea Baja
6. The wave	La ola
7. The bathing suit	El vestido de baño
8. The lifeguard	El salvavidas
9. The towel	La toalla
10. The Aquarium	El Acuario
11. The Fitting Room	El vestidor
12. Danger	Peligro
13. The Sand	La Arena
14. Water Sports	Deportes Acuáticos
15. Skiing/ Surfing / Scuba	Esquiar / Surf / Bucear

Meeting People



Important Words

1. Hi	Hola
2. Goodbye /bye	Adiós / Chao
3. Yes	Si
4. No	No
5. Good Night	Buenas Noches
6. Good Morning	Buenos días

Meeting People

7. Thank you	Gracias
8. You're welcome	De nada
9. Come in	Adelante
10. Sit down	Siéntese
11. Go ahead	Siga Usted
12. See you tomorrow	Hasta Mañana
13. Please	Por favor
14. Excuse me	Discúlpeme
15. I am sorry	Lo siento
16. Pardon	Perdón
17. See you later	Hasta Luego
18. Sir	Señor
19. Madam	Señora
20. Miss	Señorita
21. Cheers!	Salud!
22. Bless you	Salud
23. Off course	Claro que si

Useful Phrases

1. How are you?	Como estas?
2. Where are you from?	De donde es Usted?
3. I am from Canada	Yo soy de Canada
4. What's your name?	Cual es su nombre?
5. My name is John	Mi nombre es John
6. Nice to meet you	Mucho gusto
7. Do you speak English?	Habla ingles?
8. How do you say.....in Spanish?	Como se dice....en español?
9. How do you pronounce this word?	Como se pronuncia esta palabra?
10. I don't speak Spanish	No hablo Español
11. What does.... means?	Que significa...?
12. What time is it?	Que hora es?
13. It's 10:30	Son las diez treinta
14. May I have your number?	Me puedes dar tu telefono?
15. I don't understand	No entiendo
16. I'm lost	Estoy perdido
17. I'm staying in the Hotel	Estoy en el Hotel
18. My address is...	Mi dirección es...
19. Where is the washroom?	Donde está el baño?
20. What's going on?	Que onda? (Mexican)

Driving and Walking



Important Words

1. Stop	Pare
2. Danger	Peligro
3. North	Norte
4. South	Sur
5. East	Este
6. West	Oeste
7. The pedestrian	El peatón
8. Street	Calle
9. Police Station	Estación de Policía
10. The avenue	La avenida
11. The traffic light	El semáforo
12. The Parking Lot	El Estacionamiento
13. The corner	La Esquina
14. The bathroom	Los Baños
15. The supermarket	El supermercado

Useful Phrases

1. How can I get to...?	¿Dónde llego a?
2. Where is the exit?	¿Dónde está la salida?
3. I'm lost, can you help me?	Estoy perdido, me puede ayudar?
4. Where is the taxi station?	¿Dónde está la estación del taxi?
5. How much is the fare to get to...?	¿Cuánto cobra por llevarme a...?
6. Where is the next subway station?	¿Dónde está la próxima estación del metro?
7. I want to stay here	Quiero quedarme aquí
8. Where are the washrooms?	¿Dónde están los baños?
9. Are there any restaurants around here?	¿Hay restaurantes por aquí?
10. Where is the ATM?	¿Dónde está el cajero?
11. What is the exchange rate?	¿A cómo está el dólar?

Shopping



Important Words

1. Open	Abierto
2. Closed	Cerrado
3. To go shopping	Ir de compras
4. Entrance	Entrada
5. The Basket	La cesta
6. The shop	La Tienda
7. The Shopping Cart	El carrito
8. The Fitting Room	El vestidor
9. Expensive/ Cheap	Caro / Barato
10. Defective	Defectuoso
11. Broken	Roto
12. X-Large / Large / Medium / Small	X-Grande / Grande / Mediano / Pequeño
13. White / Black / Blue / Red / Green / Brown	Blanco / Negro / Azul / Rojo / Verde / Brown
14. Handcraft	Artesanías
15. The Mall	El Centro Comercial

Useful Phrases

1. Can you please help me?	Me podría atender por favor?
2. How much does it cost?	Cuánto cuesta?
3. What's the lowest price for this?	Cual es el precio más bajo?
4. It's too high, I'll give you \$... for this	Está muy caro, le doy \$... por esto
5. Do you accept U.S. dollars?	Aceptan dólares americanos?
6. Can I have a smaller/larger size?	Me puede dar una talla más pequeña/ grande?
7. Can I try it on?	Puedo probármelo?
8. Where are the fitting rooms?	Donde estan los vestidores?
9. Do you have anything cheaper?	Tiene algo más barato?
10. I would like to return it	Quiero devolverlo
11. Can you show me....?	Podría mostrarme ... ?
12. I'm just looking	Sólo estoy mirando
13. How does it look?	Como me queda?
14. I like this one / I don't like this one	Me gusta este / No me gusta este
15. Thank you for your help	Gracias por su ayuda

Help / Medical Care



Important Words

1. The medicine	La medicina
2. The pill	La píldora
3. The injection	La inyección
4. Rest	Descanse
5. The pain	El dolor
6. The Broken Bone	La Fractura
7. The X Ray	La radiografía
8. Breathe	Respire
9. The stomach-ache	El dolor de estómago
10. Allergies	Alergias

Useful Phrases

1. I'm sick	Estoy enfermo
2. I'm not feeling good	No me siento bien
3. Can you please call a doctor?	Podría llamarme un médico por favor?
4. My stomach hurts	Me duele el estómago
5. I have fever	Tengo Fiebre
6. I have diarrhoea	Tengo diarrea
7. I am allergic to..	Tengo alergia a...
8. Where does it hurt?	Donde le duele?
9. Can the doctor come here?	Podría visitarme el médico aquí?
10. Help!!	Ayúdenme!!

Numbers / Numeros



1	uno
2	dos
3	tres
4	cuatro
5	cinco
6	seis
7	siete
8	ocho
9	nueve
10	diez
20	veinte
30	treinta
40	cuarenta
50	cincuenta
60	sesenta
70	setenta
80	ochenta
90	noventa
100	cien
200	doscientos
1000	mil
2000	Dos mil
1000000	un millón