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**NCEA Level 1 Spanish Revised Vocabulary List 2025**

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Below is the revised Level 1 Spanish Vocabulary List that should be used with students in 2025 (and thereafter).

The Vocabulary List indicates language which will guide the setting of Level 1 Spanish external assessments. Words outside of the approved Vocabulary List will be glossed if their meaning is not evident from the text.

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2. A Word document for teachers who would like to do further formatting.

This version of the vocabulary list is arranged by **grammatical category**.

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| **Cognates or near cognates** |
| **Nouns** |
|  | **Article** | **Spanish** | **English** |
| **A** | los | ancestros | ancestors |
| (el) | arte | Art (school subject) |
| el | atletismo | athletics |
| el | autobús (Sp)/el bus (LA) | bus |
| **B** | la | bicicleta | bike |
| la | botella | bottle |
| **C** | el | café | coffee |
| el | celular (LA)/el móvil (Sp) | mobile phone |
| el | centro | centre, downtown |
| el | ciclismo | cycling |
| (las) | ciencias | Sciences (school subject) |
| el | cine | cinema, movies |
| la | clase | class |
| el | concierto | concert |
| el | curso | course, school year |
| **D** | el | descendiente | descendant |
| la | discoteca | disco |
| el | director | director, school principal |
| **E** | el | ejercicio | exercise |
| el | esquí | skiing |
| la | estación | station, season |
| el | estómago | stomach |
| el | estudiante | student |
| **F** | la | familia | family |
| la | farmacia | pharmacy, chemist |
| la | frase | sentence |
| la | fruta | fruit |
| el | funeral | funeral |
| el | fútbol | soccer, football |
| **G** | la | generación | generation |
| (la) | geografía | Geography (school subject) |
| la | gimnasia | gymnastics |
| **H** | (la) | historia | history, History (school subject) |
| **I** | la | identidad | identity |
| el | interés | interest |
| **J** | el | jardín | garden |
| **M** | (las) | matemáticas | Maths, Mathematics (school subject) |
| la | medicina | medicine |
| el | mensaje | message |
| el | momento | moment |
| la | moto, motocicleta | motorbike |
| el | museo | museum |
| (la) | música | Music (school subject) |
| **N** | la | nacionalidad | nationality |
| el | norte | north |
|  | Nueva Zelanda/ia | New Zealand |
| el | número | number |
| **O** | la | oficina | office |
| **P** | el | paquete | package |
| la | parte | part, share |
| el | patio | patio, playground |
| la | persona | person |
| la | personalidad | personality |
| la | policía | police |
| el | problema | problem |
| el | programa | programme |
| los | protocolos | protocols |
| los | proverbios | proverbs |
| **R** | la | reserva | booking, reservation |
| los | rituales | rituals |
| **S** | el | santo | saint |
| el | supermercado | supermarket |
| **T** | las | tapas | tapas, bar snacks |
| el | té | tea |
| el | teatro | theatre |
| la | terraza | terrace, patio |
| la | tostada | toast |
| la | tradición oral | oral tradition |
| el | tren | train |
| el | turista | tourist |
| **U** | la | universidad | university |
| **V** | las | vacaciones | vacation, holiday |
| el | voleibol | volleyball |

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| **Cognates or near cognates**  |
| **Verbs** |
| **Spanish** | **English** |
| celebrar | to celebrate |
| decidir | to decide |
| invitar | to invite |
| practicar | to practice, to do (sport/activity) |
| repetir | to repeat |
| visitar | to visit |

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| **Cognates or near cognates** |
| **Adjectives and adverbs** |
| **Spanish** | **English** |
| común | common |
| falso | false |
| finalmente | finally |
| increíble | incredible |
| inmediatamente | immediately |
| latinoamericano/de América Latina | Latin American |
| magnífico | magnificient, great |
| neozelandés | New Zealander, of New Zealand |
| práctico | practical |
| precioso | precious, valuable, beautiful |
| prohibido | prohibited, forbidden |
| puntual | punctual |
| rápido | rapid, fast |
| varios | various, several |

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| **Cognates or near cognates**  |
| **Other useful words and expressions** |
| **Spanish** | **English** |
| por ejemplo | for example |

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| **Non-cognates**  |
| **Nouns** |
|   | **Article** | **Spanish** | **English** |
| **A** | el  | abuelo | grandfather |
| el  | aceite | oil |
| el  | adiós | goodbye |
| el  | agua | water |
| el  | amor | love |
| el  | amigo | friend |
| los  | anteojos(LA)/las gafas (Sp) | glasses |
| los  | antepasados | ancestors |
| el  | año | year |
| el  | apellido | last name, surname |
| el  | árbol | tree |
| el  | arroz | rice |
| la  | asignatura (Sp)/la materia (LA)  | school subject |
| el  | aula | classroom |
| el  | avión | aeroplane |
| **B** | el  | balón | ball (football, basketball, etc) |
| el  | baloncesto | basketball |
| el  | baño | bath, bathroom |
| el  | barco | boat |
| el  | barrio | neighbourhood |
| la  | basura | rubbish |
| la  | bebida | drink |
| la  | biblioteca | library |
| la  | bienvenida | welcome |
| el  | billete | ticket, bank note |
| la  | boca | mouth |
| el  | bocadillo | sandwich (Sp), snack (LA) |
| el  | bolígrafo | ballpoint pen |
| la  | bolsa | bag |
| el  | bosque | forest |
| la  | bota | boot |
| el  | brazo | arm |
| **C** | el  | caballo | horse |
| la  | cabeza | head |
| la  | caja | box, cash register |
| el  | calcetín | sock |
| la  | calle | street |
| el  | calor | heat, hot |
| la  | cama | bed |
| el  | camarero | waiter |
| la  | camisa | shirt |
| la  | camiseta | T-shirt |
| el  | campo | countryside, field |
| la  | canción | song |
| la  | cara | face |
| la  | carne | meat |
| el  | carro (LA)/el coche (Sp) | car |
| la  | carta | letter, card |
| la  | casa | house |
| el  | castillo | castle |
| la  | cebolla | onion |
| el  | chico | boy |
| la  | ciudad | city |
| la  | cocina | kitchen, cuisine |
| el  | comedor | dining room, dining hall |
| la  | comida | food |
| la | computadora (LA)/ordenador (Sp) | computer |
| el  | conductor | driver |
| el  | contrario/lo contrario | contrary, opposite |
|   | Correos, la oficina de correos | National Post, post office |
| el  | correo | mail |
| la  | cosa | thing |
| la  | costa | coast |
| la  | costumbre | custom, habit |
| el  | cuarto de baño | bathroom |
| la  | cuenta | bill, account |
| el  | cuento | story, tale |
| el  | cuerpo | body |
| el  | cumpleaños | birthday |
| **D** | los  | deberes/la tarea | chores, homework |
| el  | dependiente | shop assistant |
| el  | deporte | sport |
| el  | día | day |
| el  | diario | diary, newspaper |
| el  | diente | tooth |
| el  | dinero | money |
| la  | dirección | address |
| el  | dolor | pain |
| el  | dormitorio | bedroom |
| **E** | la  | edad | age |
| el  | edificio | building |
| (la)  | educación física | Physical Education, PE (school subject) |
| la  | ensalada | salad |
| la  | entrada | entrance, ticket |
| el  | equipo | team |
| la  | equitación | horse riding |
| la  | escalera | stairs, ladder |
| la  | escuela | school |
| la  | espalda | back (body part) |
|   | España  | Spain |
|   | español | Spanish language, Spanish person |
| el  | espectáculo | show, performance |
| la  | estrella | star |
| la  | esquina | corner |
| el  | este | east |
| el  | extranjero | foreign person, foreign country, abroad |
| **F** | la  | falda | skirt |
| la  | fecha | date |
| la  | fiesta | party, festival |
| el  | fin de semana | weekend |
| el  | final | final, the end |
| el  | frío | cold |
| **G** | la  | galleta | biscuit |
| la  | garganta | throat |
| el  | gato | cat |
| la  | gente | people |
| la  | granja | farm |
| la  | gripe | cold, flu |
| **H** | la  | habitación  | room |
| el  | helado | ice cream |
| el  | hermano | brother |
| el  | hermanastro | stepbrother |
| el  | hijo | son |
| (la)  | historia | story |
| el  | hogar | home |
| el  | hombre | man |
| el  | hombro | shoulder |
| la  | hora | hour, time |
| el  | horario | timetable, schedule |
| el  | huevo | egg |
| **I** | el  | idioma | language |
| la  | iglesia | church |
| (la)  | informática | Digital Technologies (school subject) |
| el  | instituto | school, institute |
| el  | intercambio | exchange |
| el  | invierno | winter |
| el  | invitado | guest |
| la  | isla | island |
| **J** | el  | jamón | ham |
| el  | joven | young person, youth |
| el  | jugo (LA)/el zumo (Sp) | juice |
| **L** | el  | lado | side |
| el  | lago | lake |
| la  | leche | milk |
| la  | lectura | reading |
| el  | legado | legacy |
| la  | librería | bookstore |
| el  | libro | book |
| la  | llave | key |
| la  | lluvia | rain |
| el  | lugar | place |
| la  | luna | moon |
| la  | luz | light |
| **M** | la  | madera tallada | carving |
| la  | madrastra | stepmother |
| la  | madre | mother |
| la  | maleta/las maletas | suitcase/luggage |
| la  | mano | hand |
| la  | mañana | morning, tomorrow |
| la  | manzana | apple |
| el  | mar | sea |
| el  | marido | husband |
| el  | marisco | seafood |
| el  | médico | doctor |
| la  | medianoche | midnight |
| el  | mediodía | midday |
| la  | mentira | lie, fib |
| el  | mercado | market |
| el  | mes | month |
| la  | mesa | table/desk |
| la  | mitad | half, middle |
| la  | mochila | backpack |
| la  | moda | fashion |
| la  | montaña | mountain |
| el  | muchacho | boy |
| la  | mujer | woman, wife |
| el  | mundo | world |
| **N** | la  | nariz | nose |
| la  | natación | swimming |
| la  | Navidad | Christmas |
| la  | nieve | snow |
| el  | niño | child, (little) boy |
| la  | noche | night |
| la  | Nochebuena | Christmas Eve |
| la  | Nochevieja | New Year’s Eve |
| el  | nombre | name |
| la  | nota | mark, grade, note |
| las  | noticias | news |
| el  | novio | boyfriend |
| **O** | el  | oeste | west |
| el  | ojo | eye |
| las  | oraciones | prayers |
| la  | oreja | ear |
| el  | oro | gold |
| el  | otoño | Autumn |
| la  | oveja | sheep |
| **P** | el  | padrastro | stepfather |
| el  | padre | father, priest |
| los  | padres | parents |
| la  | página | page |
| el  | país | country |
| el  | pájaro | bird |
| la  | palabra | word |
| el  | pan | bread |
| la  | pantalla | screen |
| los  | pantalones | pants |
| la  | papa (LA)/la patata (Sp) | potato |
| el  | papel | paper, role |
| la  | pared | wall |
| el  | partido | match, sports game |
| el  | pasado | past, last |
| el  | pasatiempo | hobby |
| la  | Pascua | Easter |
| el  | pastel | pie, pastry, cake |
| las  | patatas fritas (Sp)  | fries, chips |
| la  | película | film, movie |
| el  | peligro | danger |
| el  | pelo | hair |
| la  | pelota | ball (tennis, golf, etc) |
| el  | periódico | newspaper |
| el  | perro | dog |
| el  | pescado | fish (food) |
| el  | peso | weight, peso (currency) |
| el  | pez | fish (animal) |
| el  | pie | foot |
| la  | pierna | leg |
| la  | pimienta | pepper |
| la  | piscina | swimming pool |
| el  | piso | flat, apartment, floor |
| la  | planta | plant, ground floor |
| la  | plata | silver, money (LA) |
| el  | plátano | banana |
| el  | plato | plate, dish |
| la  | playa | beach |
| la  | plaza | plaza, public square |
| el  | polideportivo | sports centre |
| el  | pollo | chicken |
| la  | postal | postcard |
| el  | postre | dessert |
| el  | precio | price |
| el  | premio | prize, reward |
| la  | primavera | spring |
| el  | primo | cousin |
| el  | profesor | teacher, professor |
| la  | prueba | test, proof |
| el  | pueblo | village, town |
| el  | puente | bridge |
| la  | puerta | door |
| el  | puerto | port, harbour |
| el  | punto | point, full stop |
| **Q** | el  | queso | cheese |
| **R** | el  | rato | short time, little while |
| el  | ratón | mouse |
| el  | recreo | school recess |
| el  | refresco (Sp)/la soda (LA) | soft drink |
| el  | regalo | present, gift |
| la  | regla | ruler (measurement), rule (norm) |
| el  | respeto | respect |
| la  | revista | magazine, review |
| el  | río | river |
| la  | risa | laugh |
| la  | rodilla | knee |
| la  | ropa | clothes |
| **S** | la  | sal | salt |
| la  | salida | exit |
| el  | salón | large room, hall, family room |
| la  | salsa | sauce, dance (LA) |
| la  | salud | health |
| el  | saludo  | greeting |
| la  | sangre | blood |
| la  | semana | week |
| el  | señor | Mr,sir, gentleman |
| la  | señora | Mrs, lady |
| la  | señorita | Miss, lady |
| la  | siesta | rest, nap |
| el  | siglo | century |
| la  | silla | chair |
| el  | sol | sun |
| la  | sonrisa | smile |
| la  | sopa | soup |
| la  | sorpresa | surprise |
| el  | sueño | dream, sleep |
| la  | suerte | luck, fortune |
| el  | sur | south |
| **T** | la  | talla | size (clothing) |
| la  | tarde | afternoon |
| la  | tarea | homework, task |
| la  | tarjeta (postal) | card (post) |
| el  | tema | theme, subject |
| el  | tiempo | time, weather |
| la  | tienda | shop, store, tent |
| la  | tierra | earth, land, ground, soil |
| el  | tío | uncle  |
| el  | tipo | type, kind, guy |
| la  | toalla | towel |
| la  | tormenta | storm |
| el  | toro | bull |
| la  | torre | tower, turret |
| la  | tortilla española (Sp)/la tortilla mexicana (LA) | Spanish omelette/Mexican tortilla |
| el  | trabajo | work, job |
| el  | traje | suit |
| **U** | la  | uva | grape |
| **V** | la  | vaca | cow |
| los  | vaqueros | jeans (Sp), cowboys |
| el  | vecino | neighbour |
| la  | vela | candle, sail, sailing |
| el  | vendedor | salesperson |
| la  | ventana | window |
| el  | verano | summer |
| la  | verdad | truth |
| las  | verduras | green vegetables |
| el  | vestido | dress, clothing |
| la  | vez | time, occasion |
| el  | viaje | trip, travel, voyage |
| la  | vida | life |
| el  | viento | wind |
| el  | vino | wine |
| la  | vista | view, sight |
| el  | vuelo | flight |
| la  | vuelta | turn, return |
| **Z** | las  | zapatillas de deporte | trainers, sports shoes |
| el  | zapato | shoe |

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| **Non-cognates** |
| **Verbs** |
|   | **Spanish** | **English** |
| **A** | abrir | to open |
| acabar (de + Past Part.) | to end (to have just + Inf.) |
| acordarse (de) | to remember |
| acostarse | to go to bed |
| estar de acuerdo | to agree |
| almorzar | to eat |
| andar | to walk, to function (machine) |
| aprender | to learn |
| arreglar | to arrange, to fix |
| ayudar | to help |
| **B** | bailar | to dance |
| bañarse | to take a bath, to swim |
| beber | to drink |
| besar | to kiss |
| buscar | to look for |
| **C** | caer | to fall |
| cambiar | to change |
| caminar | to walk |
| cantar | to sing |
| cargar | to charge (an electronic device) |
| cenar | to eat dinner |
| cerrar | to close |
| charlar | to chat |
| cocinar | to cook |
| coger (Sp)/tomar (LA) | to get, catch, or take (transport) |
| comenzar | to begin |
| comer | to eat, to have lunch (Sp) |
| comprar | to buy |
| comprender | to understand |
| conocer | to know, to be acquainted, to meet for the first time |
| contar | to count, to tell |
| contestar | to answer |
| correr | to run |
| cortar | to cut, to cut off |
| costar | to cost |
| creer | to believe, to think |
| cruzar | to cross |
| cuidar | to look after, take care of |
| **D** | dar | to give |
| dar un paseo | to take a walk |
| deber | should, to have to |
| decir | to say, to tell |
| dejar | to leave (behind), to stop doing something |
| desayunar | to eat breakfast |
| descansar | to rest |
| descargar | to download |
| describir | to describe |
| desear | to desire, to wish, to want |
| despertarse | to wake up |
| dibujar | to draw |
| discutir | to discuss, to argue |
| divertirse | to have fun |
| doler | to hurt, to have pain |
| dormir | to sleep |
| ducharse | to shower |
| durar | to last, to endure |
| **E** | echar de menos (Sp)/extrañar (LA) | to miss a thing or person |
|  | empezar | to begin |
|  | encantar | to like a lot, to love |
|  | encontrar | to meet, to find |
|   | enfadarse | to get angry |
|  | enseñar | to teach |
|  | entender | to understand |
|  | entrar | to enter |
|  | enviar | to send |
|  | escribir | to write |
|  | escuchar | to listen |
|  | esperar | to wait, to hope for, to expect |
|  | estar | to be |
|  | explicar | to explain |
| **F** | faltar | to be lacking, to be missing |
| **G** | ganar | to win, to earn |
| gastar | to spend, to use up |
| gritar | to shout, to yell |
| gustar | to like, to be pleasing |
| **H** | hay | there is, there are |
|  | hablar | to speak, to talk |
|  | hacer | to do, to make |
| **I** | ir | to go |
|  | ir de compras | to go shopping |
|  | ir de excursión | to go on a trip or excursion |
| **J** | jugar | to play |
|  | juntarse | to get together |
| **L** | lavar(se) | to wash |
|  | leer | to read |
|  | levantarse | to get up |
|  | limpiar | to clean |
|  | llamar(se) | to call (oneself-name) |
|  | llegar | to arrive |
|  | llevar | to take, to carry, to wear |
|  | llorar | to cry |
|  | llover | to rain |
| **M** | mandar mensajes | to send messages |
|  | merendar | to have afternoon tea |
|  | mirar | to look at, to watch |
|  | estar de moda | to be in fashion |
|  | montar | to ride |
|  | morir | to die |
|  | mudarse | to move, to shift house |
| **N** | nacer | to be born |
|  | nadar | to swim |
|  | navegar por internet | to browse the internet |
|  | necesitar | to need |
|  | nevar | to snow |
| **O** | odiar | to hate |
|  | oír | to hear |
|  | olvidar(se) | to forget |
| **P** | pagar | to pay |
|  | parecer | to seem, to appear |
|  | pasar | to pass, to spend time |
|  | pasarlo bien | to have a good time |
|  | pedir | to ask for, to order |
|  | pensar | to think |
|  | pescar | to fish |
|  | perder | to lose, to miss (transport) |
|  | pintar | to paint |
|  | poder | to be able to |
|  | poner(se) | to put, to put on |
|  | preferir | to prefer |
|  | preguntar | to ask |
|  | presentar(se) | to introduce (oneself) |
|  | probar | to try, to taste |
| **Q** | quedar(se) | to stay, to remain |
|  | querer | to want, to love |
|  | quitar(se) | to take off, to remove |
| **R** | recibir | to receive |
|  | regalar | to give a present |
|  | reír(se) | to laugh |
|  | relajar(se) | to relax |
|  | responder | to answer, to reply |
|  | robar | to rob, to steal |
|  | romper | to break |
| **S** | saber | to know, to know how to |
|  | sacar | to take out |
|  | salir | to leave, to go out |
|  | secar(se) | to dry |
|  | seguir | to follow, to continue |
|  | sentar(se) | to sit down |
|  | sentir(se) | to feel |
|  | ser | to be |
|  | servir | to serve, to be of use |
|  | significar | to mean, to signify |
|  | sonreír | to smile |
|  | subir | to climb |
| **T** | tener | to have |
|  | tener que | to have to |
|  | tener ganas (de) | to feel like doing |
|  | tener hambre | to be hungry |
|  | tener miedo | to be afraid |
|  | tener prisa | to be in a hurry |
|  | tener razón | to be right (correct) |
|  | tener sed | to be thirsty |
|  | tener sueño | to be sleepy |
|  | terminar | to end, to finish |
|  | tirar | to throw |
|  | tocar | to touch, to play an instrument |
|  | tomar | to take, to drink, to have (food), to take (transport) |
|  | trabajar | to work |
|  | traer | to bring |
| **U** | usar | to use |
| **V** | valer la pena | to be worthwhile, to be worth the effort |
| valer | to be worth, to value |
| vender | to sell |
| venir | to come |
| ver | to see, to look |
| vestirse | to get dressed |
| viajar | to travel |
| vivir | to live |
| volver | to return |

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| **Non-cognates**  |
| **Adjectives and adverbs** |
|   | **Spanish** | **English** |
| **A** | abajo | down, below |
| aburrido | bored, boring |
| adelante | forward, ahead |
| adentro | (towards) inside |
| adonde | (to) where |
| afuera | outside |
| agradable | pleasant, nice |
| ahí/allí | there |
| alegre | cheerful, bright |
| alto | high, tall |
| animado | lively, cheerful |
| antiguo | ancient, old, former |
| antipático | unfriendly |
| aquí | here |
| arriba | above, up |
| así | so, like this |
| **B** | barato | cheap |
| bastante | quite |
| bien | well |
| bonito | pretty |
| bueno | good |
| **C** | cada | each, every |
| caliente | hot, warm |
| cansado | tired |
| caro | expensive |
| casi | almost |
| castaño | brown (haired) |
| castellano | Spanish language |
| cerca | near, close |
| claro | clear, light colour, of course |
| cómodo | comfortable |
| corto | short |
| **D** | delgado | thin, slender |
| demasiado | too much |
| deportivo | sporting |
| después | after, later |
| difícil | difficult, hard |
| divertido | fun, funny |
| dulce | sweet |
| duro | hard, firm, difficult |
| **E** | emocionante | exciting |
|  | enfermo | sick, ill |

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|  | entonces | then, so |
|  | español | Spanish |
|  | estupendo | great |
|  | extranjero | foreign |
| **F** | fácil | easy |
| feliz | happy |
| fenomenal | amazing, great |
| feo | ugly |
| fresco | cool, fresh |
| fuerte | strong, loud |
| **G** | gordo | fat |
| gracias | thank you |
| grande | big |
| gratis | free (no cost) |
| gris | grey |
| guapo | handsome |
| **H** | hermoso | beautiful |
| hispano | Hispanic |
| **I** | igual | equal, same |
| inglés | English |
| **J** | junto | together, joined |
| **L** | largo | long |
| lejos | far |
| lento | slow |
| libre | free |
| limpio | clean |
| lindo (LA) | pretty, nice personality  |
| liso | straight |
| listo | clever, ready |
| loco | crazy, mad |
| lleno | full |
| **M** | mal | badly |
| malo | bad, poorly |
| maravilloso | wonderful, marvellous |
| más | more |
| mayor | older, larger, greater |
| mejor | better |
| menor | less, least, younger |
| menos | less, fewer |
| mientras | while |
| mismo | same, self |
| moreno | brunette, dark-haired, dark-skinned |
| mucho | a lot, much |
| muy | very |

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| **N** | nada | nothing |
| nublado | cloudy |
| nuevo | new |
| **O** | ocupado | busy |
| oscuro | dark |
| otro | other, another |
| **P** | pelirrojo | red-haired |
| peor | worse, worst |
| pequeño | small, little |
| perezoso | lazy |
| picante | spicy |
| pobre | poor |
| poco | a little, few, some |
| preocupado | worried |
| primero | first |
| principal | principal, main |
| pronto | soon, quickly |
| próximo | next, near to |
| en punto | o’clock, on the dot |
| **Q** | querido | Dear (letter), beloved |
| quizás | perhaps, maybe |
| **R** | raro | rare, strange |
| rico | rich, delicious |
| rizado | curly, wavy |
| rubio | blond |
| ruidoso | noisy |
| **S** | salado | salty, savoury |
| seguro | sure, secure, certain, safe |
| sencillo | simple, plain |
| serio | serious, grave, formal |
| siempre | always |
| siguiente | next, following |
| simpático | nice, pleasant, friendly |
| solo | alone, only, lonely |
| sucio | dirty |
| suficiente | sufficient, enough |
| **T** | tal | such |
| también | also |
| tampoco | either, neither |
| tan | so, as |
| tanto | much, many |
| tarde | late |
| temprano | early |
| todavía | still, yet, even |
| todo | every, all |
| todo el mundo | everyone, everybody |
| tonto | silly, foolish |
| tranquilo | tranquil, peaceful |
| triste | sad |
| **U** | último | last, final, latest |
| único | only, unique |
| útil | useful |
| **V** | vivo | alive, living, lively |
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| **Non-cognates** |
| **Prepositions** |
| **Spanish** | **English** |
| con | with |
| sin | without |
| desde | from, since |
| durante | during |
| a | to, at |
| acerca de | about |
| a la derecha de | to the right of |
| a finales de | at the end of |
| a la izquierda de | to the left of |
| al lado de | next to |
| a principio de | at the beginning |
| bajo | under, short (person) |
| contra | against |
| de | of, from |
| debajo de | under |

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| delante (de) | in front of |
| dentro | inside |
| detrás de | behind |
| en | in |
| encima de | above, on top of |
| enfrente (de) | opposite |
| en medio de | between, in the middle of |
| entre | between |
| fuera de | outside |
| hacia | toward |
| hasta | until |
| para | for, in order to |
| por | for, through, by |
| sobre | about, over, above |

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| **Non-cognates** |
| **Conjunctions** |
| **Spanish** | **English** |
| aunque | although |
| porque | because |
| pero | but |
| sin embargo | however |
| y | and |

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| **Non-cognates** |
| **Pronouns** |
| **Spanish** | **English** |
| algo | something |
| alguien | someone |
| alguno | some, any |
| nadie | nobody |
| ninguno | not one, none, not any |

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| **Non-cognates** |
| **Time** |
| **Spanish** | **English** |
| ahora | now |
| anoche | last night |
| anteayer | day before yesterday |
| antes | before |
| a veces | sometimes |
| ayer | yesterday |
| de vez en cuando | now and then |
| dos veces | twice |
| de repente | suddenly |
| hoy | today |
| luego | later, then, after |
| normalmente | normally |
| nunca | never |
| pasado mañana | day after tomorrow |
| **Non-cognates** |
| **Question words/Relative pronouns** |
| **Spanish** | **English** |
| cuál/cual | which |
| cuándo/cuando | when |
| cuánto/cuanto | how much |
| dónde/donde | where |
| por qué/porque | why/because |
| qué/que | that/what |
| quién/quien | who |
| cómo/como | how |
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| **Non-cognates** |
| **Interaction phrases** |
| **Spanish** | **English** |
| ¡No me digas! | You don’t say! |
| ¡En serio? | Seriously? |
| No me extraña | I’m not surprised |
| De nada | You’re welcome |
| ¡Qué lástima! | What a shame! |
| ¡Qué suerte! | How lucky! |
| ¡Qué bueno! | That’s nice! |
| pues | well |
| ¿Qué quieres decir? | What do you want to say? What do you mean? |
| según | according to |
| por favor | please |
| ¡No puede ser! | It can’t be! |
| No me importa | I don’t care |

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| **Non-cognates** |
| **Other useful words and expressions** |
| **Spanish** | **English** |
| conmigo | with me |
| ni | neither, nor |
| si | if |
| sí | yes |
| por supuesto/claro | of course |
| tener calor | to be hot |
| Hace calor. | It is hot. |