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Preface

This Spanish-English dictionary has been edited with an eye to keeping the vocabulary as concise as possible and yet covering the most essential words in everyday use. There are more than 20,000 boldface entries in all, and each one has a translation. In most cases a single word will serve as a translation; in others, where there is no single word that translates, a phrase is used.

All dictionary entries are printed in **bold** type, followed by an *italicized* part of speech label. **Main entries** follow one another in strict alphabetical order, without regard to intervening spaces or hyphens. The Spanish letter combinations *ch* and *ll* are alphabetized within the letters *C* and *L*. However, the Spanish letter *ñ* is a separate letter of the Spanish alphabet, falling after the letter *N* and before the letter *O*, so words that contain the *ñ* are alphabetized accordingly. For example, the Spanish word **mañana** falls alphabetically between the entry word **manzana** and the entry word **mapa**.

Words with identical spellings and differing only in part of speech and derived words and phrases are run into a single entry:

back *n* . . . — **back** *adv* . . . — **back** *adj* . . . — **back** *v* **back up** . . .
back down . . . — **backbone** *n* — **background** *n* . . .

Words spelled the same but unrelated are given a separate entry with a distinguishing superscript numeral:

sobre¹ *nm* envelope

sobre² *prep* on, on top of; over . . .

Variant spellings appear at the main entry separated by *or* (as **blond** *or* **blonde** *adj* rubio . . . and **cacahuate** *or* **cacahuete** *nm* peanut). For Spanish nouns and adjectives, the main entry by tradition is the masculine form and the feminine ending is shown, usually cut back to the last element, following a comma: (as **campeón**, **-peona** *n* . . . champion).

It is not in the scope of this book to give complete grammatical information. Spanish masculine and feminine nouns and adjectives are noted and part of speech functions are indicated, but inflected forms, such as the plurals of nouns and the principal parts of verbs, are not shown except for the most irregular formations. When they are shown, they are in bold type in parentheses following the part of speech label. Plurals are shown for English nouns where there is an internal spelling change, as **calf** . . . (**calves**), or for nouns that end

in 'y' and sometimes 'o'. For English verbs the past tense and past participle forms are shown where there is a change in internal spelling, as **break** . . . (**broke**; **broken**). Comparative and superlative forms are generally not shown for adjectives and adverbs. For Spanish nouns, the plural form is shown only when there is a change in spelling, such as the addition or loss of a diacritic on a letter:

abdomen *nm* (-dómenes) abdomen

abstención *nf* (-ciones) abstention

Where the plural form shown affects only the masculine form, that is indicated by an italic *m* within the parentheses:

bailarín, -rina *n* (-rines) *m* dancer

The grammatical functions of entry words, including the traditional parts of speech, are indicated by italic abbreviations. These include indications of plural (*pl*) and masculine (*m*) and feminine (*f*) gender of words as well as the following part of speech labels:

<i>art</i>	article
<i>n</i>	noun (also <i>nm</i> masculine noun; <i>nf</i> feminine noun; <i>npl</i> plural noun)
<i>v</i>	verb
<i>vr</i>	reflexive verb
<i>v impers</i>	impersonal verb
<i>v aux</i>	auxiliary verb
<i>v phr</i>	verb phrase
<i>vr phr</i>	reflexive verb phrase
<i>adj</i>	adjective
<i>adv</i>	adverb
<i>prep</i>	preposition
<i>prep phr</i>	prepositional phrase
<i>pron</i>	pronoun
<i>reflexive pron</i>	reflexive pronoun
<i>conj</i>	conjunction
<i>conj phr</i>	conjunctive phrase
<i>interj</i>	interjection

These labels are also sometimes combined: (*nmpl*) or (*n or adj*).

Abbreviations in this Work

<i>adj</i>	adjective	<i>nm</i>	masculine noun
<i>adv</i>	adverb	<i>nmf</i>	masculine or feminine noun
<i>adv</i>	adverbial phrase	<i>nmpfpl</i>	plural noun invariable for gender
<i>algn</i>	alguien (someone)	<i>nmfs & pl</i>	noun invariable for both gender and number
<i>art</i>	article	<i>nmpf</i>	masculine plural noun
<i>Brit</i>	Great Britain	<i>nms & pl</i>	invariable singular or plural masculine noun
<i>conj</i>	conjunction	<i>npl</i>	plural noun
<i>conj phr</i>	conjunctive phrase	<i>ns & pl</i>	noun invariable for plural
<i>esp</i>	especially	<i>pl</i>	plural
<i>etc</i>	et cetera	<i>pp</i>	past participle
<i>f</i>	feminine	<i>prep</i>	preposition
<i>fam</i>	familiar or colloquial	<i>prep phr</i>	prepositional phrase
<i>fpl</i>	feminine plural	<i>pron</i>	pronoun
<i>interj</i>	interjection	<i>s.o.</i>	someone
<i>Lat</i>	Latin America	<i>sth</i>	something
<i>m</i>	masculine	<i>usu</i>	usually
<i>mf</i>	masculine or feminine	<i>v</i>	verb
<i>mpl</i>	masculine plural	<i>v aux</i>	auxiliary verb
<i>n</i>	noun	<i>vi</i>	intransitive verb
<i>nf</i>	feminine noun	<i>v impers</i>	impersonal verb
<i>nfpf</i>	feminine plural noun	<i>vr</i>	reflexive verb
<i>nfs & pl</i>	invariable singular or plural feminine noun	<i>vt</i>	transitive verb

A

a¹ *nf* a, first letter of the Spanish alphabet
a² *prep* (**a**l when contracted with *el*) to; **a las dos** at two o'clock; **al día siguiente** (on) the following day; **a pie** on foot; **de lunes a viernes** from Monday until Friday; **tres veces a la semana** three times per week
abajo *adv* down, below, downstairs; **hacia ~** downward
abandonar *v* abandon, leave; give up — **abandono** *nm* abandonment, neglect
abánico *nm* fan
abastecer *v* supply, stock — **abastecimiento** *nm* supply, provisions
abdomen *nm* (**-dómenes**) abdomen
abedul *nm* birch
abeja *nf* bee
abertura *nf* opening
abeto *nm* fir tree
abierto, -ta *adj* open
abismo *nm* abyss, chasm
ablandar *v* soften up
abofetear *v* slap
abogado, -da *n* lawyer — **abogacía** *nf* legal profession
abominable *adj* abominable
abonar *v* pay; fertilize — **abonarse** *vr* subscribe — **abonado, -da** *n* subscriber — **abono** *nm* payment, installment; fertilizer; season ticket
abordar *v* approach, deal with; get on board
aborigen *nmf* (**-rígenes**) aborigine — **aborigen** *adj* aboriginal, native
aborrecer *v* abhor, detest
abortar *v* have a miscarriage; abort — **aborto** *nm* abortion, miscarriage
abotonar *v* button
abrazar *v* hug, embrace — **abrazo** *nm* hug, embrace
abrelatas *nms & pl* can opener
abreviar *v* shorten, abridge; abbreviate — **abreviatura** *nf* abbreviation
abrigar *v* dress warmly — **abrigado, -da** *adj* warm, wrapped up — **abriño** *nm* coat, overcoat
abril *nm* April
abrir *v* open, open up; unlock, undo
abrochar *v* button, fasten
absceso *nm* abscess
absoluto, -ta *adj* absolute, unconditional; **en absoluto** not at all — **absolutamente** *adv* absolutely
absorber *v* absorb; take up, require — **absorbente** *adj* absorbent; absorbing — **absorto, -ta** *adj* absorbed, engrossed
abstenerse *vr* abstain, refrain — **abstención** *nf* (**-ciones**) abstention
abstracto, -ta *adj* abstract — **abstraer** *v* abstract — **abstraerse** *vr* lose oneself in thought
absurdo, -da *adj* absurd, ridiculous — **absurdo** *nm* absurdity
abuelo, -la *n* grandfather, grandmother; **abuelos** *nmpl* grandparents
abundar *v* abound, be plentiful — **abundancia** *nf* abundance — **abundante** *adj* abundant
aburrir *v* bore — **aburrido, -da** *adj* boring — **aburrimiento** *nm* boredom
abusar *v* go too far — **abusivo, -va** *adj* outrageous, excessive — **abuso** *nm* abuse
acá *adv* here, over here
acabar *v* finish, end; ~ **con** put an end to — **acabado, -da** *adj* finished, perfect; old, worn-out
academia *nf* academy — **académico, -ca** *adj* academic
acalarar *v* stir up, excite — **acalarado, -da** *adj* emotional, heated
acampar *v* camp
acaparar *v* hoard
acariciar *v* caress
acaso *adv* perhaps, maybe; **por si ~** just in case
acatarrarse *vr* catch a cold
acaudalado, -da *adj* wealthy, rich
acceder *v* agree; ~ **a** gain access to
acceso *nm* access; entrance
accesorio *nm* accessory
accidentado, -da *adj* eventful, turbulent; injured — **accidentado, -da** *n* accident victim
accidente *nm* accident — **accidentarse** *vr* have an accident
acción *nf* (-**ciones**) action; act, deed; share of stock — **accionista** *nmf* stockholder
aceita *nm* oil — **aceitar** *v* oil — **aceitoso, -sa** *adj* oily
aceituna *nf* olive
acelerar *v* accelerate — **acelerarse** *vr* hurry up — **acelerador** *nm* accelerator
acelga *nf* Swiss chard
acento *nm* accent — **acentuar** *v* accent; emphasize, stress — **acentuarse** *vr* stand out
acepción *nf* (-**ciones**) sense, meaning
aceptar *v* accept — **aceptable** *adj* acceptable
acerca *nf* sidewalk
acerca de *prep phr* about, concerning
acercar *v* bring near or closer
acerro *nm* steel
acerter *v* guess correctly; be accurate — **acergado, -da** *adj* correct, accurate
achacar *v* attribute, impute
achaque *nm* aches and pains
achicar *v* make smaller
ácido, -da *adj* acid, sour — **acidez** *nf* (-**deces**) acidity — **ácido** *nm* acid
acierto *nm* correct answer; skill; sound judgment
aclamar *v* acclaim
aclarar *v* clarify, explain; clear up — **aclaración** *nf* (-**ciones**) explanation
acné *nm* acne
acobardar *v* intimidate
acoger *v* shelter; receive, welcome — **acogedor, -dora** *adj* cozy, welcoming — **acogida** *nf* welcome; refuge
acogerse a *vr phr* resort to
acolchar *v* pad
acólito *nm* altar boy
acometer *v* attack
acomodar *v* adjust; put; make a place for — **acomodarse** *vr* settle in; **acomodarse a** adapt to — **acomodado, -da** *adj* well-to-do
acompañar *v* accompany — **acompañante** *nmf* companion; music accompanist
acondicionar *v* fit out, equip
aconsejar *v* advise
acontecimiento *nm* event
acoplar *v* couple, connect — **acoplarse** *vr* fit together
acordar *v* agree; **acordarse** *vr* remember
acordeón *nm* (-**deones**) accordion
acortar *v* shorten, cut short
acosar *v* hound, harass
acostar *v* put to bed
acostumbrar *v* accustom; ~ **a** be in the habit of
acrecentar *v* increase
acreditar *v* accredit, authorize; prove — **acreditarse** *vr* prove oneself — **acreditado, -da** *adj* reputable; accredited
acreedor, -dora *adj* worthy — **acreedor, -dora** *n* creditor
acribillar *v* riddle, pepper
acrílico *nm* acrylic
acrobacia *nf* acrobatics — **acróbata** *nmf* acrobat
acta *nf* certificate; meeting minutes *pl*
actitud *nf* attitude; posture, position
activar *v* activate; stimulate, speed up — **actividad** *nf* activity — **activo, -va** *adj* active
acto *nm* act, deed; act (in a play)
actor *nm* actor — **actriz** *nf* (-**trices**) actress
actual *adj* present, current — **actualidad** *nf* present time — **actualizar** *v* modernize — **actualmente** *adv* at present, nowadays
actuar *v* act, perform
acuarela *nf* watercolor
acuario *nm* aquarium
acuático, -ca *adj* aquatic, water
acudir *v* go, come; ~ **a** be present at, attend
acueducto *nm* aqueduct
acuerdo *nm* agreement; **de ~** OK, all right
acumular *v* accumulate
acupuntura *nf* acupuncture
acurrucarse *vr* curl up, nestle
acusar *v* accuse — **acusado, -da** *n* defendant
acústica *nf* acoustics — **acústico, -ca** *adj* acoustic
adaptar *v* adapt; adjust, fit — **adaptación** *nf* (-**ciones**) adaptation — **adaptador** *nm* electrical adapter
adecuar *v* adapt, make suitable — **adecuado, -da** *adj* suitable, appropriate
adelantar *v* advance, move forward; overtake; pay in advance — **adelantarse** *vr* run fast (of a clock)
adelante *adv* ahead, forward; **más ~** later on, further on — **adelante!** *interj* come in!
adelgazar *v* lose weight
además *adv* besides, furthermore; ~ **de** in addition to, as well as
adentro *adv* inside, within
adherirse *vr* adhere, stick — **adhesión** *nf* (-**siones**) adhesion; support — **adhesivo, -va** *adj* adhesive — **adhesiva** *nm* adhesive
adicción *nf* (-**ciones**) addition — **adicional** *adj* additional
adicto, -ta *adj* addicted — **adicto, -ta** *n* addict
adiestrar *v* train
adinerado, -da *adj* wealthy
adiós *nm* (**adioses**) farewell **iadiós!** *interj* goodbye!
adivinar *v* guess; foretell — **adivinanza** *nf* riddle
adjetivo *nm* adjective
adjudicar *v* award — **adjudicarse** *vr* appropriate
administración *nf* (-**ciones**) administration; management — **administrador, -dora** *n* administrator, manager — **administrar** *v* manage, run; administer (a drug)
admirar *v* admire
admitir *v* admit; accept — **admisión** *nf* (-**siones**) admission; acceptance
ADN *nm* DNA
adolecer de *vr phr* suffer from
adolescente *adj* & *nmf* adolescent — **adolescencia** *nf* adolescence
adónde *adv* where
adoptar *v* adopt — **adopción** *nf* (-**ciones**) adoption
adorar *v* adore, worship — **adorable** *adj* adorable
adormecer *v* make sleepy; numb
adornar *v* decorate, adorn — **adorno** *nm* ornament, decoration
adquirir *v* acquire; purchase — **adquisición** *nf* (-**ciones**) acquisition; purchase
aduana *nf* customs office
aduanero, -ra *adj* customs — **aduanero, -ra** *n* customs officer
adueñarse de *vr phr* take possession of
adular *v* flatter
adulterar *v* adulterate
adulterio *nm* adultery
adulto, -ta *adj* & *n* adult
adverbio *nm* adverb — **adverbial** *adj* adverbial
adversario, -ra *adj* adversary, opponent — **adversidad** *nf* adversity
advertir *v* warn; notice — **advertencia** *nf* warning
adyacente *adj* adjacent
aéreo, -re *adj* aerial, air
aerolínea *nf* airline
aeronave *nf* aircraft
aeropuerto *nm* airport
afán *nm* (**afanes**) eagerness; effort, hard work — **afanarse** *vr* toil
afección *nf* (-**ciones**) ailment, complaint
afectivo, -va *adj* emotional
afecto *nm* affection — **afectar** *v* affect
afeitar *v* shave
aferrarse *vr* cling, hold on
afianzar *v* secure, strengthen
afiche *nm* poster
afición *nf* (-**ciones**) penchant, fondness; hobby — **aficionado, -da** *n* enthusiast, fan; amateur — **aficionarse a** *vr phr* become interested in
afiljar *v* sharpen
afiliarse a *vr phr* join, become a member of — **afiliación** *nf* (-**ciones**) affiliation
afinar *v* tune; perfect, refine
afinidad *nf* affinity, similarity
afirmar *v* state, affirm; strengthen — **afirmación** *nf* (-**ciones**) statement, affirmation
aflijir *v* afflict; distress
aflojar *v* loosen, slacken; ease up

afortunado, -da adj fortunate, lucky
africano, -na adj African
afuera *adv* out; outside, outdoors — **afueras** *npl* outskirts
agencia *nf* agency, office — **agente** *nmf* agent, officer
agenda *nf* agenda; notebook
ágil *adj* agile — **agilidad** *nf* agility
agitar *v* agitate; wave, flap; stir up
aglomerar *v* amass
agobiar *v* oppress; overwhelm
agonia *nf* death throes; agony — **agonizar** *v* be dying
agosto *nm* August
agotar *v* deplete, use up; exhaust
agradar *v* be pleasing — **agradable** *adj* pleasant, agreeable
agradecer *v* be grateful for, thank
agrado *nm* taste, liking; **con** ~ with pleasure
agrandar *v* enlarge
agrario, -ria *adj* agrarian, agricultural
agravar *v* make heavier; aggravate, worsen
agredir *v* attack
agregar *v* add, attach
agresión *nf* (-siones) aggression, attack — **agresividad** *nf* aggressiveness
agricultura *nf* agriculture, farming — **agricultor, -tora** *n* farmer
agridulce *adj* bittersweet; sweet-and-sour
agrietar *v* crack
agrio, agria *adj* sour
agrupar *v* group together — **agrupación** *nf* (-ciones) group, association
agua *nf* water; ~ **oxigenada** hydrogen peroxide; ~s negras or ~s residuales sewage
aguacate *nm* avocado
aguacero *nm* downpour
aguantar *v* bear, withstand; hold; hold out, last — **aguantarse** *vr* restrain oneself
aguardiente *nm* clear brandy
agudo, -da adj acute, sharp; shrill, high-pitched — **agudeza** *nf* sharpness; witticism
aguilón *nm* (-jones) stinger; goad, stimulus
águila *nf* eagle
aguja *nf* needle; hand (of a clock); church spire
aguzar *v* sharpen; ~ **el oído** prick up one's ears
ahí *adv* there; **por** ~ somewhere, thereabouts
ahínco *nm* eagerness, zeal
ahogar *v* drown; smother — **ahogo** *nm* breathlessness
ahondar *v* deepen; elaborate
hora *adv* now; ~ **mismo** right now
ahorcar *v* hang, kill by hanging
ahorrar *v* save; save up
ahorro *nm* saving
ahumar *v* smoke, cure
ahuyentar *v* scare away, chase away
airado, -da adj irate, angry
aire *nm* air; ~ **acondicionado** air-conditioning; al ~ libre in the open air, outdoors
airear *v* air out
aislar *v* isolate; insulate — **aislamiento** *nm* isolation; insulation
ajedrez *nm* chess
ajeno, -na adj someone else's; alien; ~ a foreign to
ajo *nm* (ajíes) chili pepper
ajo *nm* garlic
ajustar *v* adjust, adapt; agree on — **ajustado, -da** adj close, tight; tight-fitting
ajusticiar *v* execute, put to death
ala *nf* wing; brim (of a hat)
alacrán *nm* (-cranes) scorpion
alado, -da adj winged
alargar *v* extend, lengthen; prolong
alarmar *v* alarm — **alarma** *nf* alarm
alba *nf* dawn
albañil *nm* bricklayer, mason
albedrio *nm* will
albergar *v* house, lodge — **albergue** *nm* lodging; shelter
albóndiga *nf* meatball
álbum *nm* album
alcalde, -desa *n* mayor
alcance *nm* reach; range, scope
alcancía *nf* money box
alcantarilla *nf* sewer, drain
alcanzar *v* reach; catch up with; achieve, attain; suffice, be enough; ~ a manage to

alcaparra *nf* caper
alcoba *nf* bedroom
alcohol *nm* alcohol — **alcohólico, -ca** *adj* & n alcoholic
aleatorio, -ria *adj* random
alegoría *nf* allegory
alegrar *v* make happy, cheer up — **alegre** *adj* glad, happy; colorful, bright — **alegría** *nf* joy, cheer
alejar *v* remove, move away; estrange
alemán, -mana *adj* (-manes) German — **alemán** *nm* German language
alentar *v* encourage
alergia *nf* allergy
alerta *adv* on the alert — **alerta** *adj* & *nf* alert — **alertar** *v* alert
aleta *nf* fin, flipper; small wing
alfabeto *nm* alphabet — **alfabetismo** *nm* literacy — **alfabetizar** *v* teach literacy; alphabetize
alfiler *nm* pin; brooch
alfombra *nf* carpet, rug
algua *nf* seaweed
álgebra *nf* algebra
algo *adv* somewhat, rather — **algo** *pron* something; **algo de** some, a little
algodón *nm* (-dones) cotton
alguien *pron* somebody, someone
alguno, -na pron one, someone, somebody — **alguno, -na** *adj* (**algún** before masculine singular nouns) some, any; (*in negative constructions*) not any, not at all; **algunas veces** sometimes
algunos, -nas *pron* pl some, a few
aliado, -da n ally — **aliado, -da** *adj* allied — **alianza** *nf* alliance — **aliarse** *vr* form an alliance
alicates *npl* pliers
alienar *v* alienate — **alienación** *nf* (-ciones) alienation
aliento *nm* breath; encouragement, strength
aligerar *v* lighten; hasten, quicken
alimentar *v* feed, nourish — **alimentación** *nf* (-ciones) feeding; nourishment
alineación *nf* (-ciones) alignment; lineup
alinear *v* align, line up — **alinearse con** *vr phr* align oneself with
alisar *v* smooth
alistarse *vr* join up, enlist
aliviar *v* relieve, soothe — **alivio** *nm* relief
allá *adv* there, over there; **más ~ de** beyond
allanar *v* smooth, level out; raid — **allanamiento** *nm* raid
allí *adv* there, over there
alma *nf* soul
almacén *nm* (-cenes) warehouse; shop, store; **grandes almacenes** department store — **almacenamiento** *nm* storage — **almacenar** *v* store
almanaque *nm* almanac
almendra *nf* almond; kernel
almibar *nm* syrup
almidón *nm* (-dones) starch
almirante *nm* admiral
almohada *nf* pillow
almorzar *v* have lunch; have for lunch — **almuerzo** *nm* lunch
alojar *v* house, lodge — **alojamiento** *nm* lodging, accommodations *pl*
alquilar *v* rent, lease
alrededor *adv* around, about; ~ **de** approximately — **alrededor de** *prep phr* around — **alrededores** *npl* outskirts
alta *nf* discharge; release
altaf *nm* altar
altavoz *nm* (-voces) loudspeaker
alterar *v* alter, modify; disturb — **alteración** *nf* (-ciones) alteration; disturbance
alternar *v* alternate; ~ **con** socialize with — **alternarse** *vr* take turns — **alternativa** *nf* alternative — **alternativo, -va** *adj* alternating, alternative — **alterno, -na** *adj* alternate
altiplano *nm* high plateau
altitud *nf* altitude
altivo, -va *adj* haughty
alto *adv* high; loud, loudly — **alto** *nm* height, elevation; stop, halt — **alto** *interj* halt!, stop!
alto, -ta *adj* tall, high; loud
altruista *adj* altruistic — **altruismo** *nm* altruism
altura *nf* height; altitude; **a la ~ de** near, up by

alucinar *v* hallucinate — **alucinación** *nf* (-ciones) hallucination
alud *nm* avalanche
aludido, -da adj previously mentioned; **darse por ~** take it personally
aludir *v* allude, refer
alumbrar *v* light, illuminate; **alumbrado** *nm* lighting
alumno, -na *n* pupil, student
alusión *nf* (-siones) allusion
aluvión *nm* (-viones) flood, barrage
alzar *v* lift, raise — **alza** *nf* rise
amabilidad *nf* kindness — **amable** *adj* kind, nice
amaestrar *v* train
amanantar *v* breast-feed, nurse
amanecer *v* impers dawn — **amanecer** *v* wake up — **amanecer** *nm* dawn, daybreak
amante *adj* loving; ~ **de** fond of
amante *nmf* lover
amapola *nf* poppy
amar *v* love
amargo, -ga adj bitter — **amargo** *nm* bitterness
amarillo, -lla adj yellow — **amarillo** *nm* yellow
amarollar *v* tie up
amasar *v* knead
amatador *adj* & *nmf* amateur
ambición *nf* (-ciones) ambition — **ambicionar** *v* aspire to — **ambicioso, -sa adj** ambitious
ambiente *nm* atmosphere; environment, surroundings *pl*
ambigüedad *nf* ambiguity — **ambiguo, -gu** *adj* ambiguous
ambos, -bas adj & *pron* both
ambulancia *nf* ambulance
amén *nm* amen
amenazar *v* threaten — **amenaza** *nf* threat, menace
ameno, -na adj pleasant
americano, -na adj American
ametralladora *nf* machine gun
amígdala *nf* tonsil — **amigdalitis** *nf* tonsilitis
amigo, -ga adj friendly, close — **amigo, -ga** *n* friend
amistad *nf* friendship — **amistoso, -sa adj** friendly
amnesia *nf* amnesia
amnistía *nf* amnesty
amo, ama *n* master, mistress; **ama de casa** homemaker, housewife
amoldar *v* adapt, adjust
amontonar *v* pile up
amor *nm* love
amparar *v* shelter, protect
ampliar *v* expand; enlarge — **ampliación** *nf* (-ciones) expansion, enlargement
amplio, -pla adj broad, wide, ample — **amplitud** *nf* breadth, extent; spaciousness
ampolla *nf* blister, vial
amueblar *v* furnish
añadir *v* add
analfabeto, -ta adj & *n* illiterate — **analfabetismo** *nm* illiteracy
analgésico *nm* painkiller, analgesic
analizar *v* analyze — **análisis** *nm* analysis
anaranjado, -da adj orange-colored
anatomía *nf* anatomy — **anatómico, -ca adj** anatomic, anatomical
anchoa *nf* anchovy
ancho, -cha adj wide, broad, ample — **ancho** *nm* width
anchura *nf* width, breadth
anciano, -na adj aged, elderly — **anciano, -na** *n* elderly person
andar *v* walk; go, travel; run, work; ~ **en** rummage around in; ~ **por** be approximately
andén *nm* (-denes) train platform; sidewalk
andino, -na adj Andean
anécdota *nf* anecdote
anemia *nf* anemia — **anémico, -ca adj** anemic
anestesia *nf* anesthesia — **anestésico, -ca adj** anesthetic — **anestésico** *nm* anesthetic
anexar *v* annex, attach — **anexo, -xa adj** attached — **anexo** *nm* annex
anfibio, -bia adj amphibious — **anfibio** *nm* amphibian
ángel *nm* angel
angloparlante *adj* English-speaking
angosto, -ta adj narrow
ángulo *nm* angle; corner

angustiar *v* anguish, distress; worry — **angustia** *nf* anguish; worry
anhelar *v* yearn for, crave — **anhelo** *nm* longing
anillo *nm* ring
animado, -da *adj* cheerful, animated — **animador, -dora** *n* television host; cheerleader
animal *nm* animal — **animal** *nmf* brute, beast
animar *v* encourage; cheer up — **animarse** *vr* take heart; cheer up; **animarse a** get up the nerve to
ánim *nm* mood, spirits *pl*; encouragement
anís *nm* anise
aniversario *nm* anniversary
anoche *adv* last night
anochecer *v* get dark — **anochecer** *nm* dusk, nightfall
anónimo, -ma *adj* anonymous
anorexia *nf* anorexia
anormal *adj* abnormal — **anormalidad** *nf* abnormality
anotar *v* annotate — **anotación** *nf* (-ciones) annotation, note
ansiedad *nf* anxiety — **ansioso, -sa** *adj* anxious; eager
antártico, -ca *adj* antarctic
ante *prep* before, in front of
anteanoche *adv* the night before last
anteayer *adv* the day before yesterday
antebraco *nm* forearm
antedecedente *adj* previous, prior — **antedecedente** *nm* precedent
antelación *nf* (-ciones) advance notice; **con ~** in advance
antena *nf* antenna
anteojos *nmpl* glasses, eyeglasses
antepasado, -da *n* ancestor
antepenúltimo, -ma *adj* third from last
anterioridad *nf* priority; **con ~** beforehand, in advance — **anterior** *adj* previous, earlier; front — **anteriormente** *adv* previously
antes *adv* before, earlier; previously; first; rather
antibiótico *nm* antibiotic
anticipación *nf* (-ciones) anticipation; **con ~** in advance
anticipado, -da *adj* advance, early; **por ~** in advance
anticipar *v* move up; pay in advance — **anticiparse** *vr* be early; get ahead
anticonceptivo, -va *adj* contraceptive — **anticonceptivo** *nm* contraceptive
anticuado, -da *adj* antiquated, outdated
antiguo, -guo *adj* ancient, old; former; old-fashioned; **antiguamente** *adv* long ago; formerly — **antigüedad** *nf* antiquity
antihigiénico, -ca *adj* unsanitary
antipatía *nf* aversion, dislike — **antipático, -ca** *adj* unpleasant
antirreglamentario, -ria *adj* unlawful
antirrobo, -ba *adj* antitheft
antisemita *adj* anti-Semitic
antisocial *adj* antisocial
antoxo *nm* whim, craving — **antoxarse** *vr* crave
antropología *nf* anthropology
anual *adj* annual, yearly — **anuario** *nm* yearbook, annual
anular *v* annul, cancel
anunciar *v* announce; advertise — **anuncio** *nm* announcement; advertisement
año *nm* year; **Año Nuevo** New Year
apachurrar *v* crush
apacible *adj* gentle, mild
apaciguar *v* appease, pacify
apagar *v* switch off; extinguish, put out — **apagado, -da** *adj* off, out
aparato *nm* machine, appliance, apparatus; anatomical system
aparecer *v* appear; show up
aparentar *v* seem — **aparente** *adj* apparent, seeming
apariencia *nf* appearance, look
apartado *nm* section, paragraph; **~ postal** post office box
apartamento *nm* apartment
apartar *v* move away; set aside, separate — **aparte** *adv* apart, separately; besides
apasionar *v* excite, fascinate — **apasionado, -da** *adj* passionate, excited — **apasionante** *adj* exciting
apegado, -da *adj* devoted — **apegarse a** *vr phr* be-

come attached to, grow fond of — **apego** *nm* fondness
apellido *nm* last name, surname — **apelldarse** *vr* have for a last name
apenar *v* sadden — **apenarse** *vr* grieve; become embarrassed
apenas *adv* hardly, scarcely — **apenas conj** as soon as
apéndice *nm* appendix — **apendicitis** *nf* appendicitis
aperitivo *nm* appetizer; aperitif
apetecer *v* crave, long for
apetito *nm* appetite — **apetitoso, -sa** *adj* appetizing
apio *nm* celery
aplanar *v* flatten, level
aplastar *v* crush — **aplastante** *adj* overwhelming
aplaudir *v* applaud — **aplauso** *nm* applause; acclaim
aplar *v* postpone, defer
aplicar *v* apply — **aplicable** *adj* applicable — **aplicable, -da** *adj* diligent
apodo *nm* nickname
aportar *v* contribute — **aportación** *nf* (-ciones) contribution
apostar *v* bet, wager
apóstrofo *nm* apostrophe
apoyar *v* support; lean, rest — **apoyo** *nm* support
apreciar *v* appreciate — **apreciable** *adj* considerable — **apreciación** *nf* (-ciones) appreciation — **aprecio** *nm* esteem
aprender *v* learn — **aprenderse** *vr* memorize
aprendizaje *nm* apprenticeship
apresurar *v* speed up — **apresuradamente** *adv* hurriedly, hastily — **apresurado, -da** *adj* in a rush
apretar *v* press, push; tighten; squeeze; press (down); fit too tightly — **apretado, -da** *adj* tight
aprísia *adv* quickly
aprobar *v* approve of; pass — **aprobación** *nf* (-ciones) approval
apropiación *nf* (-ciones) appropriation — **apropiado, -da** *adj* appropriate
apropiarse de *vr phr* take possession of, appropriate
aprovechar *v* take advantage of, make good use of; be of use
aproximar *v* bring closer — **aproximadamente** *adv* approximately
apto, -ta *adj* suitable; capable — **aptitud** *nf* aptitude, capability
apuesta *nf* bet, wager
apuntar *v* aim, point; jot down; point at; prompt — **apuntarse** *vr* sign up; score, chalk up — **apunte** *nm* note
apurar *v* hurry, rush; use up; trouble
aqueíl, aquéllo *pron* (**aquéllos**) that (one), those (ones); the former
aqueíl, aquella *adj* (**aquellos**) that, those
aqueíllo *pron* that, that matter
aquí *adv* here; now; **por ~** hereabouts
quietar *v* calm
árabe *adj* Arab, Arabic — **árabe** *nm* Arabic language
araña *nf* spider; chandelier
arañar *v* scratch, claw
arbitrio, -ria *adj* arbitrary — **arbitrio** *nm* (free) will; judgment — **árbitro, -tra** *n* arbitrator; referee, umpire
árbol *nm* tree
arcálico, -ca *adj* archaic
archipiélago *nm* archipelago
archivar *v* file — **archivo** *nm* file; archives *pl*
arco *nm* arch; bow; arc; **~ iris** rainbow
ardilla *nf* squirrel; **~ listada** chipmunk
ardor *nm* burning; passion, ardor
arduo, -dua *adj* arduous
área *nf* area
arena *nf* sand; arena
arete *nm* earring
argentino, -na *adj* Argentinian, Argentine
argolla *nf* hoop, ring
argot *nm* slang
argumentar *v* argue, contend — **argumentación** *nf* (-ciones) argument, reason — **argumento** *nm* argument, reasoning; plot, story line
árido, -da *adj* dry, arid
aristocracia *nf* aristocracy

aritmética *nf* arithmetic
arma *nf* arm, weapon; **~ de fuego** firearm — **armada** *nf* navy
armor *v* arm; assemble
armario *nm* closet; cupboard, cabinet
armonía *nf* harmony — **armónica** *nf* harmonica
aroma *nm* aroma, scent
arpa *nf* harp
arquear *v* arch, bend
arqueología *nf* archaeology — **arqueólogo, -ga** *n* archaeologist
arquitectura *nf* architecture — **arquitecto, -ta** *n* architect
arracimarse *vr* cluster together
arraigar *v* take root, become established
arrancar *v* pull out, tear off; start; get going
arranque *nm* engine starter; outburst; **punto de ~** starting point
arrasar *v* destroy; fill to the brim
arrastrar *v* drag; draw, attract; trail — **arrastrarse** *vr* grovel
arrebatar *v* snatch, seize; captive
arrecife *nm* reef
arreglar *v* fix; tidy up; solve, work out — **arreglarse** *vr* get dressed up
arreglo *nm* agreement
arrendar *v* rent, lease
arrepentirse *vr* regret, be sorry; repent
arriba *adv* above, overhead; up, upwards; upstairs; **~ de** more than; **de ~ abajo** from top to bottom
arribar *v* arrive; dock, put into port — **arribista** *nmf* parvenu, upstart — **arribo** *nm* arrival
arriesgar *v* risk, venture
arrobar *v* entrance
arrodiñarse *vr* kneel
arrogancia *nf* arrogance
arrojar *v* hurl, cast; give off, spew out; yield
arrollar *v* sweep away; crush, overwhelm; run over
arroyo *nm* stream; gutter
arroz *nm* (**arroces**) rice
arrugar *v* wrinkle, crease — **arruga** *nf* wrinkle, crease
arruinar *v* ruin, wreck — **arruinarse** *vr* go bankrupt
arrullar *v* lull to sleep; coo
arte *nmf* (*usually m in singular, f in plural*) art; skill; cunning, cleverness
arteria *nf* artery
artesanía *nm* craftsmanship; handicrafts *pl* — **artesanal** *adj* handmade — **artesano, -na** *n* artisan, craftsman
árlico, -ca *adj* arctic
articular *v* articulate — **articulación** *nf* (-ciones) articulation, pronunciation; joint
artículo *nm* article; **~s de primera necesidad** essentials; **~s de te cador** toiletries
artificial *adj* artificial
artista *nmf* artist; actor, actress *f* — **artístico, -ca** *adj* artistic
artritis *nms & pl* arthritis
arveja *nf* pea
asado *nm* roast
asalariado, -da *n* wage earner — **asalariado, -da** *adj* salaried
asaltar *v* assault; mug, rob — **asaltante** *nmf* assailant; mugger, robber — **asalto** *nm* assault; mugging, robbery
asamblea *nf* assembly, meeting
asar *v* roast, grill — **asarse** *vr* feel the heat
asbesto *nm* asbestos
ascender *v* ascend, rise up; be promoted; promote; **~ a amount to** — **ascenso** *nm* ascent, rise; promotion — **ascensor** *nm* elevator
asco *nm* disgust; **hacer ~s de** turn up one's nose at; **me da ~** it makes me sick
asear *v* clean, tidy up
asegurar *v* assure; secure; insure
asemejarse *vr* be similar; **~ a** resemble
aseo *nm* cleanliness
asequible *adj* accessible, attainable
asesinar *v* murder; assassinate — **asesinato** *nm* murder; assassination — **asesino, -na** *n* murderer; assassin
asesorar *v* advise, counsel — **asesor, -sora** *n* advisor, consultant
asfalto *nm* asphalt
asfixiar *v* asphyxiate, suffocate
así *adv* like this, like that, thus; **~ de** so, that

SPANISH ABBREVIATION AND EXPANSION	ENGLISH EQUIVALENT
v	versus
v	verso
v.	véase
Vda.	viuda
v.g., v.gr.	verbigracia
v. , vs.	versus
v. , ver. , vs.	verse
vid.	see
—	widow
e.g.	for example

SPANISH ABBREVIATION AND EXPANSION	ENGLISH EQUIVALENT
vier. , viern.	viernes
V.M.	Vuestra Majestad
VºBº, VºB.º	visto bueno
vol. , vol.	volumen
vra. , vro.	vuestra, vuestro
Fri.	Friday
—	Your Majesty
—	OK, approved
vol.	volume
—	your

Spanish Numbers

Cardinal Numbers

1	uno	28	veintiocho
2	dos	29	veintinueve
3	tres	30	treinta
4	cuatro	31	treinta y uno
5	cinco	40	cuarenta
6	seis	50	cincuenta
7	siete	60	sesenta
8	ocho	70	setenta
9	nueve	80	ochenta
10	diez	90	noventa
11	once	100	cien
12	doce	101	ciento uno
13	trece	200	doscientos
14	catorce	300	trescientos
15	quince	400	cuatrocientos
16	dieciséis	500	quinientos
17	diecisiete	600	seiscientos
18	dieciocho	700	setecientos
19	diecinueve	800	ochocientos
20	veinte	900	novecientos
21	veintiuno	1,000	mil
22	veintidós	1,001	mil uno
23	veintitres	2,000	dos mil
24	veinticuatro	100,000	cien mil
25	veinticinco	1,000,000	un millón
26	veintiséis	1,000,000,000	mil millones
27	veintisiete	1,000,000,000,000	un billón

Ordinal Numbers

1st	primero, -ra	17th	decimoséptimo, -ma
2nd	segundo, -da	18th	decimooctavo, -va
3rd	tercero, -ra	19th	decimonoveno, -na; or decimonono, -na
4th	cuarto, -ta	20th	vigésimo, -ma
5th	quinto, -ta	21st	vigésimoprimer, -a vigésimaprimera
6th	sexto, -ta	30th	trigésimo, -ma
7th	séptimo, -ta	40th	cuadragésimo, -ma
8th	octavo, -va	50th	quinquagésimo, -ma
9th	noveno, -na	60th	sexagésimo, -ma
10th	décimo, -ma	70th	septuagésimo, -ma
11th	undécimo, -ma	80th	octogésimo, -ma
12th	duodécimo, -ma	90th	nonagésimo, -ma
13th	decimotercero, -ra	100th	centésimo, -ma
14th	decimocuarto, -ta	1,000th	milésimo, -ma
15th	decimoquinto, -ta		
16th	decimosexto, -ta		

English Numbers

Cardinal Numbers

1	one	20	twenty
2	two	21	twenty-one
3	three	30	thirty
4	four	40	forty
5	five	50	fifty
6	six	60	sixty
7	seven	70	seventy
8	eight	80	eighty
9	nine	90	ninety
10	ten	100	one hundred
11	eleven	101	one hundred and one
12	twelve	200	two hundred
13	thirteen	1,000	one thousand
14	fourteen	1,001	one thousand and one
15	fifteen	2,000	two thousand
16	sixteen	100,000	one hundred thousand
17	seventeen	1,000,000	one million
18	eighteen	1,000,000,000	one billion
19	nineteen	1,000,000,000,000	one trillion

Ordinal Numbers

1st	first	16th	sixteenth
2nd	second	17th	seventeenth
3rd	third	18th	eighteenth
4th	fourth	19th	nineteenth
5th	fifth	20th	twentieth
6th	sixth	21st	twenty-first
7th	seventh	30th	thirtieth
8th	eighth	40th	fortieth
9th	ninth	50th	fiftieth
10th	tenth	60th	sixtieth
11th	eleventh	70th	seventieth
12th	twelfth	80th	eightieth
13th	thirteenth	90th	ninetieth
14th	fourteenth	100th	hundredth
15th	fifteenth	1,000th	thousandth