

Basic Spanish Pronunciation Guide

Greetings and Pleasantries

Good morning	Buenos días (<i>'bweh-nohs 'dee-ahs</i>)
Good afternoon	Buenas tardes (<i>bweh-nahs 'tahr-dehs</i>)
Good evening/Good night	Buenas noches (<i>bweh-nahs 'noh-chehs</i>)
Good-bye	Adiós (<i>ah-dee-'ohs</i>)
Hi	Hola (<i>'oh-lah</i>)
How are you?	¿Cómo está? (<i>'koh-moh eh-'stah</i>)
How may I help you?	¿Puedo ayudarle? (<i>'pweh-doh ah-yoo-dahr-leh</i>)
I'm sorry	¡Lo siento! (<i>loh see-e'ehh-toh</i>)

Animals

Bear	oso (<i>'oh-soh</i>)
Bird	pájaro (<i>'pah-hah-roh</i>)
Cat	gato (<i>'gah-toh</i>)
Chicken	gallina (<i>gah-'yee-nah</i>)
Cow	vaca (<i>'bah-kah</i>)
Dinosaur	dinosaurio (<i>dee-noh-'sah-oo-ree-oh</i>)
Dog	perro (<i>'peh-rroh</i>)
Duck	pato (<i>'pah-toh</i>)
Elephant	elefante (<i>eh-leh-'fahn-teh</i>)
Fish	pez (<i>pehs</i>)
Giraffe	jirafa (<i>hee-'rah-fah</i>)
Horse	caballo (<i>kah-'bah-yoh</i>)
Monkey	mono (<i>'moh-noh</i>)
Mouse	ratón (<i>rah-'tohn</i>)
Owl	buho (<i>'boo-oh</i>)
Pig	puerco (<i>'pwehr-koh</i>)
Rabbit	conejo (<i>koh-'neh-hoh</i>)
Sheep	oveja (<i>oh-'veh-hah</i>)
Turtle	tortuga (<i>tohr-'too-gah</i>)

Body Parts

Arm	brazo (<i>'brah-soh</i>)
Ear	oído (<i>oh-'ee-doh</i>)
Eye	ojo (<i>'oh-hoh</i>)
Face	cara (<i>'kah-rah</i>)
Finger, toe	dedo (<i>'deh-doh</i>)
Foot	pie (<i>pee-'eh</i>)
Hand	mano (<i>'mah-noh</i>)

Leg	pierna (pee-‘her-nah)
Mouth	boca (‘boh-kah)
Nose	nariz (nah-‘rees)
Stomach	estómago (eh-‘stoh-mah-goh)
Throat	garganta (gahr-‘gahn-tah)
Tongue	lengua (‘lehn-gwah)
Tooth	diente (dee-‘ehn-teh)

Colors

Black	negro (‘neh-groh)
Blue	azul (ah-‘sool)
Brown	café (kah-‘feh)
Gray	gris (grees)
Green	verde (vehr-deh)
Orange	anaranjado (ah-nah-rah-n-‘hah-doh)
Purple	morado (moh-‘rah-doh)
Red	rojo (‘roh-hoh)
White	blanco (‘blahn-koh)
Yellow	amarillo (ah-mah-‘ree-yoh)

Days of the Week

Monday	lunes (‘loo-nehs)
Tuesday	martes (‘mahr-tehs)
Wednesday	miércoles (mee-her-koh-lehs)
Thursday	jueves (hoo-‘eh-behs)
Friday	viernes (bee-‘her-nehs)
Saturday	sábado (‘sah-bah-doh)
Sunday	domingo (doh-‘meen-goh)

Family

Father	padre (pah-dreh)
Mother	madre (mah-dreh)
Son	hijo (ee-hoh)
Daughter	hija (ee-hah)
Brother	hermano (er-mah-noh)
Sister	hermana (er-mah-nah)
Son-in-law	verno (yehr-noh)
Daughter-in-law	nuera (noo-eh-rah)
Grandson	nieto (nee-eh-toh)
Granddaughter	nieta (nee-eh-tah)
Brother-in-law	cuñado (koo-nyah-doh)

Sister-in-law	cuñada (<i>koo-nyah-dah</i>)
Cousin (male)	primo (<i>pree-moh</i>)
Cousin (female)	prima (<i>pree-mah</i>)
Godfather	padrino (<i>pah-dree-noh</i>)
Godmother	madrina (<i>mah-dree-nah</i>)
Uncle	tío (<i>tee-oh</i>)
Aunt	tía (<i>tee-ah</i>)
Grandfather	abuelo (<i>ah-bee-weh-lo</i>)
Grandmother	abuela (<i>ah-bee-weh-la</i>)

Fruit

Apple	manzana (<i>mahn-'sah-nah</i>)
Banana	plátano (<i>'plah-tah-noh</i>)
Orange	naranja (<i>nah-'rahn-hah</i>)
Peach	melocotón (<i>meh-loh-koh-'tohn</i>)
Pear	pera (<i>'peh-rah</i>)
Pineapple	piña (<i>'pee-nyah</i>)
Strawberry	fresa (<i>'freh-sah</i>)

Months

January	enero (<i>eh-'neh-roh</i>)
February	febrero (<i>feh-'breh-roh</i>)
March	marzo (<i>'mahr-soh</i>)
April	abril (<i>ah-'breel</i>)
May	mayo (<i>'mah-yoh</i>)
June	junio (<i>'hoo-nee-oh</i>)
July	julio (<i>'hoo-lee-oh</i>)
August	agosto (<i>ah-'goh-stoh</i>)
September	septiembre (<i>seh-p-tee-'ehm-breh</i>)
October	octubre (<i>ohk-'too-breh</i>)
November	noviembre (<i>noh-bee-'ehm-breh</i>)
December	diciembre (<i>dee-see-'ehm-breh</i>)

Numbers

0	cero (<i>'she-roh</i>)
1	uno (<i>'oo-noh</i>)
2	dos (<i>dohs</i>)
3	tres (<i>trehs</i>)
4	cuatro (<i>'kwah-troh</i>)
5	cinco (<i>'seen-koh</i>)
6	seis (<i>'she-ees</i>)

7	siete (<i>see-‘eh-teh</i>)
8	ocho (<i>‘oh-choh</i>)
9	nueve (<i>noo-‘eh-veh</i>)
10	diez (<i>‘dee-‘ehs</i>)

Seasons

Spring	la primavera (<i>la pree-mah-VEHR-rah</i>)
Summer	el verano (<i>ehl veh-RAH-noh</i>)
Autumn	el otoño (<i>ehl oh-TOH-nyoh</i>)
Winter	el invierno (<i>ehl een-VYEHR-noh</i>)

Shapes

Circle	círculo (<i>‘seer-koo-loh</i>)
Rectangle	rectángulo (<i>rect-ahn-goo-loh</i>)
Square	cuadro (<i>‘kwah-droh</i>)
Triangle	triángulo (<i>tree-‘ahn-goo-loh</i>)

Things That Go

Bicycle	bicicleta (<i>‘bee-see-‘kleh-tah</i>)
Boat	barco (<i>‘bahr-koh</i>)
Car	carro (<i>‘kah-rroh</i>)
Plane	avión (<i>ah-bee-‘ohn</i>)
Train	tren (<i>trehn</i>)
Truck	camión (<i>kah-mee-‘ohn</i>)