

Spanish Slang

Learning a wide variety of Spanish slang phrases will allow you to:

- *Travel throughout Latin America and Spain with ease.
- *Spare yourself some embarrassing situations where you don't know the local Spanish slang.
- *Communicate more effectively and naturally with locals.
- *Sound more like a fluent speaker.
- *Understand local memes and internet jokes!
- *Watch YouTube videos, TV shows, and other slang-heavy digital media from different countries.

Universal Slangs

English		Spanish
Chamba	Chahm-bah	Work
Buenazo	Bweh-nah-zoh	Really Good
Plata	Plah-tah	Money
Vaina	Vy-nah	A Thing
Ojo	Oh-ho	Watch Out
Mande	Mahn-deh	What? / Come Again?

General Slangs

Ponerse Las Pilas	Poh-nehr-seh Las Pee-las	To Step It Up
Hablar Por Los Codos	Ah-blahr Pour Los Coh-dos	To Be Very Chatty
Echar Una Mano	Eh-chahr Oo-nah Mah-no	To Help Someone
Dejar Plantado	Deh-har Plahn-tah-doh	To Stand Someone Up
Caer Gordo	Kah-ehr Gor-doh	To Dislike Someone
Mala Pata	Mah-la Pah-tah	Bad Luck

Slang For Friend

Parce	Par-say	Colombia.
Llave	Ya-veh	Chile and Colombia
Compa	Come-pah	Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, and Argentina.
Cuate	Kwah-teh	Mexico, Venezuela, Guatemala, Bolivia.

Alero	Ah-leh-ro	Guatemala, Honduras and El Salvador.
Pana	Pah-nah	Panama, Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico, Venezuela, and more.
Hermano	Er-mah-no	Virtually all of Latin America.
Pata	Pah-ta	Cuba, Peru, Bolivia, and Chile.
Carnal	Car-nal	Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Venezuela, and Argentina.
Bróder	Bro-dehr	Most of Latin America.
Tío	Tee-oh	Spain.

Slang For Cool

Bakan	Bah-ca	Chile.
Bárbaro	Bar-bah-row	Argentina And Uruguay.
Buena Onda	Boo-eh-nah On-da	Chile, Mexico, And Argentina.
Cachete	Cah-che-teh	Chile And Costa Rica.
Chévere	Che-veh-reh	Most Of Latin America.
Chido	Chee-doh	Mexico.
Chivo	Chee-vo	El Salvador.
Guay	Goo-i	Spain And Parts Of Mexico.
Padre	Pah-dre	Mexico.
Pichudo	Pee-choo-doh	Costa Rica.
Piola	Pee-oh-la	Argentina And Chile.
Suave	Swa-veh	Mexico.
Topísimo	Toh-pee-see-mo	Chile.
Tuanis	Too-ah-knees	Costa Rica, Honduras, Nicaragua, And El Salvador.

Mexican slang

Chela	Che-la	Beer
Fresa	Fray-sa	Preppy
Aguas	Ah-goo-as	Watch out
Crudo	Croo-doh	Hungover
¡A huevo!	Ah weh-voh	Hell yeah!
Chilango	Chee-lan-go	Someone from Mexico City

Metiche
No manches
Güey/Wey
Neta
Ahorita
Sale

Muh-tee-che
No man-chess
Goo-ay / woo-ay
Neh-tah
Ah-oh-ree-tah
Sah-leh

Nosey
No way
Dude
Really? / The truth
Right this moment
Ok, sure

Colombian slang

El parche
Polas
Rumbiar
Changó
Guayabo
Los tombos
Entucar
¡Paila!
Un catorce
Chiviado
Chino
Tinto

Elle par-che
Poh-lahs
Room-bee-are
Chan-goh
Goo-ah-ya-boh
Los tom-bohs
In-too-car
Pie-la
Oon kah-tor-se
Chee-vee-ah-doh
Chee-noh
Teen-toh

A group of friends
Some beers
To party
To go dancing
Hungover
The police
To kiss
Too bad!
A favor
Fake
A child
Black coffee

Cuban slang

Yuma
Un mate
¡Nos pillamos!
Jamar
Camello
¡Tu maletín!
Me resbala
¡Chao pescao!
Me piro

Yoo-ma
Oon ma-teh
No-s pee-ya-mos
Ha-mar
Kah-meh-yo
Too mah-leh-teen
Meh Res-bah-la
Cha-oh pis-kah-oh
Meh pee-ro

A foreigner not from Latin America.
A french kiss.
See you soon!
To eat
Bus
That's your problem!
I don't care
Goodbye!
I'm leaving

Peruvian slang

Al toque	Al toh-keh	Very quickly
Asado	Ah-sah-doh	Angry
Bamba	Bahm-bah	Fake
Florear	Flo-re-are	To lie
Grifo	Gree-foh	Gas station
Huevear	Weh-veh-are	To actively do nothing
Jama	Ha-ma	Food
Piña	Pee-n-yah	Someone with bad luck
Pituco	Pee-too-koh	A rich person
Roche	Roh-che	Embarrassing

Argentinian slang

Che	Che	Hey
Boludo	Bow-loo-doh	Jerk
Pibe / Piba	Pee-beh / Pee-bah	Guy / Girl
Wacho	Wah-cho	Rascal
Groso	Grow-so	The best
Tener paja	Ten-air pah-ha	To feel lazy
Tener mala leche	Ten-air mal-ah lay-che	Having bad luck
Forro	Fo-row	Idiot
Laburo	Lah-boo-row	Job
Volá	Vo-lah	Leave!

Chilean slang

Caña	Kah-n-ya	Hangover
Carretear	Car-ray-teh-are	To party
Pololo / Polola	Poh-low-low / Pow-low-la	Boyfriend / Girlfriend
Jote	Ho-teh	Player
Mina	Mee-nah	Young woman
Taco	Tah-kow	Traffic jam

Harto	Are-toh	Many
Luca	Loo-kah	1,000 pesos
Filo	Fee-lo	Alright
Buenmoso	Boo-en-mo-so	Beautiful

Venezuelan slang

Chamo	Cha-mo	Dude
Dale	Da-lay	Of course!
Chimbo	Cheem-bo	Cheap or low-quality.
Burda	Boor-da	A lot / really.
Coroto	Ko-ro-to	Thing
Ladilla	La-dee-ya	Annoying
Mamarracho	Ma-ma-ra-cho	A ridiculous thing or person
¡Taima!	Tie-ma	Stop!
Choro	Cho-row	A thief or criminal
Ratón	Ra-ton	Hangover
Quedao	Kay-da-oh	A slow person (mentally)
Ladillado	La-dee-ya-doh	Being annoyed

Spanish slang

Vale	Vah-lay	Sure
Flipar	Flee-par	To go crazy
Majo	Mah-ho	Cute
¡Hostia!	Us-tee-ah	Damn!
¡Venga!	Venn-gah	Let's go!
Chaval	Cha-vah-l	A kid
Empanado	Em-pa-nah-doh	Someone slow (mentally)
¡Joder!	Ho-der	Damn it!
Cabrearse	Kah-breh-are-seh	To get pissed off
Cutre	Koo-treh	Opposite of cute
Los viejos	Los Vee-eh-hos	My parents

Mae	May	Dude
Tico / Tica	Tee-co / Tee-ca	A Costa Rican person.
Tiguere	Tee-guh-reh	A street smart person.
Colmado	Kohl-ma-doh	A corner store
Chercha	Cher-cha	A party
¡Chendo!	Chen-doh	Just kidding!
Lámpara	Lam-pah-ra	Sketchy
Caleta	Cal-seh-ta	House or home
Chucho	Choo-cho	Dog
¡Puchica!	Poo-chee-ca	Damn!
Chero / Chera	Che-ro / Che-ra	Guy / girl
Offi	Oh-fee	Okay
¿Qué sopa?	Kay So-pah	What's up?
Chupata	Choo-pah-ta	A party
¡Diay!	Dee-ay	An exclamation word that expresses confusion.

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