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Book of Riddles – Spanish 1

Build Spanish Vocabulary, Basic to Intermediate Spanish

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What will you learn?

By using riddles, you will learn basic to intermediate Spanish vocabulary.

How does this work?

There are 80 Questions and over 500 possible answers. As you figure out the answers, you will figure out the meanings of the words. Words come in forms of noun, adjective, adverb, preposition and verb. To make things easier, the meanings of verbs are provided.

Example:

Who ate my grassy sandwich? (I just happen to love sandwiches that are filled with grass)

Choose the best answer.

Different types of animals.

un ratón = squeak !!!

un conejo = I hop around and carrots are my favorite

un pez = You put me in a bowl of water. I hate cats .

un caballo = Did I mention that I run like wind? Oh people frequently sit on me.

una tortuga = Because of the stupid race, I hate conejos.

Answer.... un caballo = a horse

Did you manage to guess the rest?

un ratón = a mouse

un conejo = a rabbit

un pez = a fish

una tortuga = a tortoise

How to do it?

1)Read the riddle. Guess an answer.

2)Read the choices, analyze and guess their meanings.
Sometimes Spanish words are similar to English words.

3)Eliminate illogical choices and pick the best logical answer.

4)Check if you are correct.

5)Understand the meanings of the other choices.

No matter how strange the question is, you should analyze the choices and pick the most LOGICAL answer. Now let's move on.

Who does my pet dog chase down the street? Despite this, he visits me everyday.

Different types of occupations

panadero = I love flour and I make pan (pan = bread)

enfermero = I will jab you with this needle. I hang out with the doctors.

peluquero = Arhhh!!! I cut too much of your pelo! (pelo = Hair)

cartero = I jumped over your fence to give you correo (correo = mail)

payaso = Stop pinching my red nose! Don't laugh at my fluffy hair and my big red shoes. I am a performer.

jardinero = Plants are my best friends (what a loner!). I snip your plants and make your garden look real nice.

Answer.... cartero = postman

panadero = baker

enfermero = nurse

peluquero = barber

payaso = clown

jardinero = gardener

Where did Crazy Cathy go? She loves to eat raw dead animals. Don't blame her she loves sushi.

Different types places

el estadio = sports are played here

el mercado = this place can be fresh or stinky. Butchers work in this place.

la tienda = you are always welcome here to spend some dinero (dinero = money) or window shopping.

el museo = I see a dino and ancient history in here

la lechería = moo...moo...this is where we produce milk, cheese and butter

la iglesia = we usually go there on Sundays

Answer... el mercado = the market

el estadio = the stadium

la tienda = the shop

el museo = the museum

la lechería = the dairy

la iglesia = the church

What did Evil Doc do to me? He cut off my _____ and threw it to the sharks.

derramar = (verb) to spill, to pour

pierna = If you sit on the pier, I will be sticking out to reach for the sea. I am the bottom part of your body.

queso = I am related to milk but I am solid.

ojo = I am on your face. Sun rays really hurt me. The 2 “o” should already tell you what I am.

saco = I carry all your stuff.

pueblo = A place where a population of people live, it has groups of houses and buildings

Answer.... pierna = leg

derramar = (verb) to spill, to pour

queso = cheese

ojo = eye

saco = bag, sack

pueblo = town, village

My 90-year old granny whacked somebody yesterday.
Who could it be?

Different types of occupations

marinero = I have the same occupation as Popeye.

cirujano = I cut open bodies for the sake of health

pintor = I love colors and brushes.

monstruo = I am the one that is creeping under your bed
when you are sleeping.

bombero = Don't be deceive, I don't bomb and set things
on fire, I remove fire.

arquitecto = I design building structures.

Answer: monstruo = monster

marinero = sailor

cirujano = surgeon

pintor = painter

bombero = firefighter

arquitecto = architect

When is a good time to go swimming? (Hint: When)

pulgar = Stop sucking me when you are sleeping! You are no longer a baby! I am a body part.

verano = If you are living near a beach, you would wish to have me everyday. I bring the sun to you.

abeja = I am short for B. I don't think you want to come near me, honey.

joya = I glitter in the sun. Women loves me. But I am no diamond.

desconsuelo = I bring sadness and sorrow.

seso = If you hit your head violently, you might knock me out of your skull.

Answer...verano = summer

pulgar = thumb

abeja = bee

joya = jewel

desconsuelo = grief, distress

seso = brain

If you are X you must be one of the Y. If you are a/an _____ you must be one of the many things in the bathroom.

iluvia = I come after thunder and lightening

aceite = When cooking, you will usually put me on the pan before you put anything else.

semilla = I wish I can be eaten just like the rest of the fruit.

adelanto = If you are talking about moving forward in something, yupe that's me.

pulgadas = I am a type of measurement.

inodoro = I dislike me because I have to take all your crap.

Answer...inodoro = toilet

lluvia = rain

aceite = oil (cooking, medicine, technical)

semilla = seed of a fruit

adelanto = advancement, progress

pulgadas = inches

What did I swallow? Ohh by the way...I am a python.

mundo = Human beings are such strange creatures, they always wish to rule me.

ocultar = (verb) to hide, to conceal

gallina = I am a mother of hot chicks

faena = You need to work on me. I am something that you need to spend time and energy on.

invierno = If you love verano, you will hate me.

oro = At times, I am more valuable than silver

Answer...gallina = hen

mundo = world

ocultar = to hide, to conceal

faena = task, chore, a piece of work

invierno = winter

oro = gold

What did Crazy Cathy do last Monday? She went to watch a crazy _____.

sorprendido = I am a type of feeling. It happens when I give you a present unexpectedly.

alfombra = I am on the ground in your home. You always step on me. I am furry.

acera = I am the path that you would want to walk on so that you will not be hit by cars.

película = I am only available in theaters.

estatura = I am the opposite of weight

taburete = I am a type of chair. When you sit on me, you cannot lean back and I am pretty uncomfortable.

Answer...película = movie

sorprendido = surprised

alfombra = carpet

acera = sidewalk, pavement

estatura = height

taburete = stool

A plus B equals to C. Space plus Ship equals to Spaceship.
Break plus Fast equals to _____

anchura = I am the opposite of length

desayuno = Pancakes are usually part of me. You have me
in the morning.

año = I remind people of the number 365

mariposa = If the question was butter plus fly, you would
have got me.

entusiasmado = I am a type of feeling, it happens when
you are about to open a present.

estanque = I am wet, I am a home for fishes and frogs

Answer...desayuno = breakfast

anchura = width, breadth

año = year

mariposa = butterfly

entusiasmado = excited

estanque = pond, lake

Humans throw me away when they are done. But dogs love me. What am I?

brazo = If you don't have brazo you don't have a hand. I lead you directly to your hand.

hueso = I hold you up. Without me you will be like a lump of skin on the floor.

sandía = I am round, I am green on the outside, red and juicy on the inside.

muro = When you are at home, I surround you, I am everywhere and you cannot walk through me.

abril = Flip the "b" upside down and you got me

crimen = Only murderers have committed me.

Answer...hueso = bone

brazo = arm
sandía = watermelon
muro = wall
abril = april
crimen = murder



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