

# Marcus Santamaria's Spanish Ear Training

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**How to understand more of what  
people are saying to you by learning  
the 64 most common - Spanish  
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## A

1. A mas tardar: *at the latest*
2. al principio: *in the beginning*
3. así que: *so*
4. aun más: *even more*

## B

5. basta ya: *enough is enough / cut it out*

## C

6. Casi nunca: *hardly ever*
7. costar tiempo: *to take time*
8. comer de todo: *to eat anything*
9. con razón: *no wonder*

## D

10. dedicarse a: *to do (for a living)*
11. de joven: *as a youth*
12. dar igual: *to be all the same*
13. darse prisa: *to hurry up*
14. dar la razón a: *to side with*
15. dar vergüenza: *to be embarrassed*
16. dar pena: *to feel bad about something*
17. dar asco: *be nauseating*
18. día de descanso: *day off*

## E

19. en aquel entonces: *back then*
20. en cuanto: *as soon as*
21. espérate: *hold on*
22. es que: *the thing is that*

## L

- 23. lo mejor: *the best thing*
- 24. lo peor: *the worst thing*
- 25. lo primero; *the first thing*
- 26. lo ultimo: *the last thing*
- 27. lo importante: *the important thing*
- 28. le recuerdo: *I remind you (formal Spanish)*
- 29. lo / la recuerdo: *I remember you (formal Spanish)*

## M

- 30. me conviene: *it suits me ( to do something)*
- 31. me cae bien: *I like (a person)*
- 32. me cae mal: *to not like / to not be able to stand ( a person)*
- 33. me toca a mi: *it's my turn*
- 34. me da gusto: *It's nice to*
- 35. me da vergüenza: *I am embarrassed*
- 36. me da lo mismo: *it's makes no difference to me*
- 37. me decidi: *I made up my mind*

## N

- 38. nunca jamas: *never again*
- 39. no dudes en llamar: *don't hesitate to call*
- 40. no te metas: *(don't get involved (informal))*
- 41. no te metas conmigo: *don't mess with me (informal)*
- 42. no tardo mucho: *I won't take long*
- 43. ni siquiera: *not even/sot so much as*

## P

- 44. por aquí: *around here*
- 45. por aquí!: *This way*
- 46. por eso: *That's why*
- 47. por si: *in case*
- 48. por si acaso: *just in case*
- 49. por dónde: *which way*
- 50. por todos lados: *all over the place*
- 51. prestar atención: *to pay attention*
- 52. poner la mesa: *to set the table*
- 53. poner el despertador: *to set the alarm*

## Q

- 54. qué bueno: *that's great*
- 55. qué detalle!: *how thoughtful!*
- 56. qué lástima!: *what a shame*
- 57. que sepa yo: *as far as I know*
- 58. qué vergüenza: *how embarrassing*

## R

- 59. rara vez: *seldom*

## S

- 60. se acabo: *that's it / it's over*
- 61. sentirse fatal: *to feel awful*

## T

- 62. tanto como: *as much as*
- 63. todos los demás: *everybody else*

## Y

- 64. Yo no fui: *It wasn't me (I didn't do it)*