

15 insider tips for being fluent in Spanish



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IMMERSION IS THE KEY TO FLUENCY IN SPANISH.

Truly there's no better and more effective way to learn a language than to immerse yourself.

Most people try any other way to learn with apps or other programs. But that's a one-sided approach. You need to be able to have a conversation with a native speaker.

But more than that, you have to feel confident about your abilities to speak well and understand exactly what they're saying.

These 15 insider tips—plus an added bonus!—will help you get there.

Saludos,
Jackie

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Improving your comprehension skills helps you connect better.

Listening to different news programs, podcasts, and music is an easy—and free—way to immerse yourself.

You can listen during your commute to work, while you're running errands, while you're doing chores at home.

You don't have to be completely focused while listening. The point is to expose yourself to a wide variety of accents, dialects, and expressions.

Top news apps in Spanish

These news agencies have apps you can download and listen to in addition to their websites.

- [Radio CNN](#)
- [BBC Mundo](#)
- [Voz de America](#)
- [News in Slow Spanish](#)

Best podcasts in Spanish

To find a podcast:

- search Apple Music or Spotify for "podcasts español."
- Try Spotify's [Entiende Tu Mente](#) podcast.

Music en español

To find music you'd enjoy in Spanish:

- Search Apple Music or Spotify for "music [specific country]" *without the brackets*.
- On Spotify you'll find the [Top 50](#) playlist for each country.

You're sure to expose yourself to many different forms of music this way.

Enhancing your vocabulary and grammar helps you sound more like a native speaker.

Learning more vocabulary and expressions that native speakers use regularly will help you gain more confidence when you speak.

And you'll find you connect with native speakers better when you speak naturally rather than straight out of a textbook or language app.

Best site for translation

This is a dictionary and translator in one. Plus it gives you side-by-side comparisons of Spanish and English so you can understand how certain words and phrases are commonly used.

- [Linguee](#)

While you should avoid translating most of the time and focus on thinking in Spanish instead, there are times you need help understanding certain vocabulary or expressions.

Best sites for grammar

- [StudySpanish](#) for explanations of grammar along with exercises
- [SpanishDict](#) for conjugating verbs in all the tenses and moods

For accent marks

If you're typing on your phone, you can add Spanish to your keyboard in your phone settings.

When you're typing on your computer, use:

- [StudySpanish](#)



YOU TELLING EVERYONE HOW GOOD YOUR SPANISH IS NOW

Gaining new perspectives about culture and language expands your world.

Learning from native speakers and from people who have lived in Spanish-speaking countries will help you gain new perspectives on life there.

From there, you will grow your Spanish skills and your connection to Spanish speakers.

For watching shows & movies

Watching a show or movie with subtitles is convenient, but if you want to go a step further, download this program:

- [Language Reactor](#)

It will show you the subtitles and then translate them for you. This way you learn more words and phrases that people say in real life.

Best videos to watch

This YouTube channel has Spanish lessons led with native speakers from Mexico, Spain, and other countries

- [SpanishPod101](#)

Connect with others

My exclusive Facebook group is made up of a fantastic community of native Spanish speakers and Spanish learners just like you. Join us!

- [Conversando en español](#)



A bonus just for you!

Get started immersing yourself in Spanish with this checklist.

FOR YOUR SPANISH CLASS:

- Notebook
- Pen
- Textbook / class materials
- Workbook
- Laptop or tablet fully charged
- Good wi-fi connection
- Quiet space with no interruptions
- Earphones

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- For typing accent marks: [StudySpanish](#)

BEST FOR READING, WATCHING, AND CONNECTING

- Subtitles: [Language Reactor](#)
- Videos: [SpanishPod101](#)
- Tips: [Amidon Studios blog](#)
- Connecting: [Amidon Studios Facebook group](#)

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Before I go, let me introduce you to Amidon Studios...

Amidon Studios Language Studies helps you gain confidence so you can speak Spanish like a native.

We offer fun online group and private classes. And we provide in-person classes in San Diego, CA and Richmond, VA.

Our teachers are native Spanish speakers from Peru, Mexico, and the US. They guide you in how to use natural words and expressions that they use in everyday life.

We also offer Spanish immersion events from tours of Baja to celebrating Latin American holidays to art, music, and dance classes.

 **Let's connect!**

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¡Muchas gracias!

I hope this was helpful to you!

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