

Some Instructions - Ignore at your peril ;)

This guide is designed so that you can work through it at your own pace. Feel free to jump between sections - whatever works for you!

The only rule is that there are no rules ;)

That said, I do have a couple of recommendations -

Recommendation 1

Put **ALL** the vocab and chunks you struggle with (or keep forgetting) into your **ANKI** deck.

And what's **ANKI**?

Well, if you're on my email list, you've probably already heard me banging on about it (sorry!).

It's basically free spaced-repetition software that helps you remember words by showing them to you **right before you forget them**.

Yep, **VERY** useful!

If you really want to lock in new words and phrases, write a sentence of your own (copying my examples won't cut it) and add it to your **ANKI** flashcard.

Adding pictures that you personally associate with the words also helps - it gives your memory a boost by creating stronger neural pathways.

You **CAN** obviously make flashcards the old-fashioned way (I won't hunt you down and start hurling rotten tacos your way, promise!), but I personally like **ANKI** because it's super easy to add pics, sentences, recordings, etc. **AND** I have all my words in one place.

Recommendation 2

Download the audios and listen to them on your way to work (or during any "dead time" you may have).

This'll help cement the chunks into your brain.

We often need to hear a word or phrase multiple times before it moves from our "passive" vocabulary (words we understand) to our "active" vocabulary (words we actually use).

If you're struggling to catch individual words, try reading along with the transcripts first - this helps train your ear.

I've also embedded the audios into the PDFs, so I **HIGHLY RECOMMEND** downloading a decent PDF reader (like Adobe Acrobat) to ensure everything works properly!

Oh, and just a heads up - the audio embedding feature in Adobe Acrobat can be a bit buggy. I left a pause before each word/phrase, but sometimes there's a slight lag. If that happens, try scrolling up or down to the next page (which refreshes everything), then play the audio again.

Recommendation 3

Make sure to watch the accompanying videos in each section.

They cover most of the key phrases, **BUT** there's also info in them that **ISN'T** in the PDFs.

Plus, they're great for reinforcing what you've learnt ;)

Recommendation 4

Read the story **IN ORDER**.

Otherwise, well... it won't make much sense!

If you decide to work through the course module by module, you'll find chapters in each of the following sections -

Taxi

Puesto de Comida

Tianguis

Pharmacy

Slang, Glorious Slang

Mexican Proverbs

Each chapter includes key words and phrases from its corresponding section to reinforce what you've learned.

If you'd rather just read the story (it's a parallel text), you'll find it in the "Story - Don Eusebio" section.

I've got a question!!

If you have any questions/comments, shoot me an email at rupert@spanishunraveled.com.

Feel free to ask me absolutely anything... Spanish or Mexico-related, that is ;)

~Enjoy