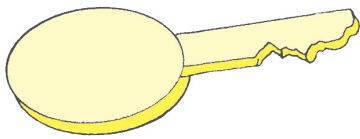
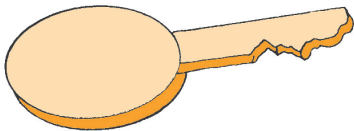


(*meh-hee-koh*) (*es-pahn-yah*)
 When you arrive in **México**, **España** or another Spanish-speaking country, the very first thing you will need to do is ask questions — “Where (*dohn-deh*) (**dónde**) is the bus stop?” “**Dónde** (*dohn-deh*) can I exchange money?” “**Dónde** (*dohn-deh*) is the lavatory?” “**Dónde** (*dohn-deh*) is a restaurant?” “**Dónde** (*dohn-deh*) do I catch a taxi?” “**Dónde** (*dohn-deh*) is a good hotel?” “**Dónde** (*dohn-deh*) is my luggage?” — and the list will go on and on for the entire length of your visit. In Spanish, there are SEVEN KEY QUESTION WORDS to learn. For example, the seven key question words will help you find out exactly what you are ordering in a restaurant before you order it — and not after the surprise (or shock!) arrives. Notice that only one letter is different in the Spanish words for “when” and “how much.” Don’t confuse them! Take a few minutes to study and practice saying the seven key question words listed below. Then cover the Spanish with your hand and fill in each of the blanks with the matching Spanish **palabra**. (*pah-lah-brah*)
 word



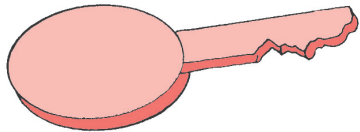
(*dohn-deh*)
DÓNDE

= WHERE dónde, dónde, dónde



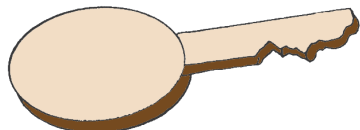
(*keh*)
QUÉ

= WHAT _____



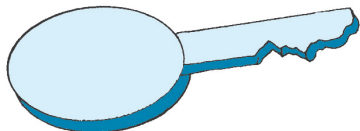
(*kee-en*)
QUIÉN

= WHO _____



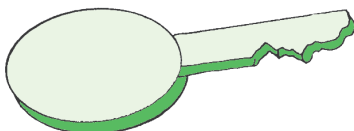
(*por*) (*keh*)
POR QUÉ

= WHY _____



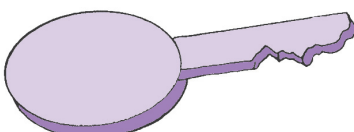
(*kwahn-doh*)
CUÁNDO

= WHEN _____



(*koh-moh*)
CÓMO

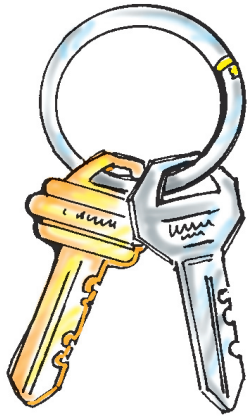
= HOW _____



(*kwahn-toh*)
CUÁNTO

= HOW MUCH _____

Now test yourself to see if you really can keep these ^(pah-lah-brahs) **palabras** straight in your mind. Draw lines between the Spanish ^(ee) **y** English equivalents below.
and



why	^(kee-en) quién
what	^(keh) qué
who	^(dohn-deh) dónde
how	^(kwahn-toh) cuánto
where	^(kwahn-doh) cuándo
when	^{(por) (keh)} por qué
how much	^(koh-moh) cómo

Examine the following questions containing these ^(pah-lah-brahs) **palabras**. Practice the sentences out loud ^(ee) **y** and then practice by copying the Spanish in the blanks underneath each question.



^(pah-sah)
¿Qué pasa?
what is happening

¿Qué pasa?



^(en-sah-lah-dah)
¿Cómo está la ensalada?
how is the salad



^{(kee-en) (es)}
¿Quién es?
who is it



^{(kwahn-doh) (vee-eh-neh) (tren)}
¿Cuándo viene el tren?
when comes the train



^{(kwahn-toh) (kwes-tah)}
¿Cuánto cuesta esto?
how much costs this

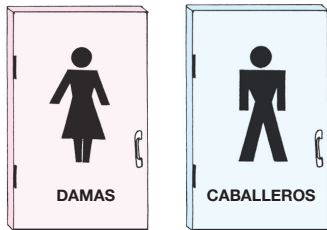


^{(es-tah) (teh-leh-foh-noh)}
¿Dónde está el teléfono?
where is the telephone

^(dohn-deh)
“**Dónde**” will be your most used question **palabra**. Say each of the following Spanish sentences aloud. Then write out each sentence without looking at the example. If you don’t succeed on the first try, don’t give up. Just practice each sentence until you are able to do it easily.

6 Remember “**ei**” is pronounced like “ay” in “day” ^(ee) **y** “**ie**” is pronounced “ee-eh.”

(es-tahn) (sair-vee-see-ohs)
¿Dónde están los servicios?
where are the restrooms



(es-tah) (tahk-see)
¿Dónde está el taxi?
where is taxi



(ow-toh-boos)
¿Dónde está el autobús?
where is bus



¿Dónde está el taxi?

(res-tow-rahm-teh)
¿Dónde está el restaurante?
restaurant



(bahm-koh)
¿Dónde está el banco?
bank



(oh-tel)
¿Dónde está el hotel?
hotel



(see)
Sí, you can see similarities between **inglés** and **español** if you look closely. You will be amazed at the number of **palabras** which are identical (or almost identical) in both languages. Of course, they do not always sound the same when spoken by a Spanish-speaking person, but the similarities will certainly surprise you **y** make your work here easier. Listed below are five “free” **palabras** beginning with “**a**” to help you get started. Be sure to say each **palabra** aloud **y** then write out the Spanish **palabra** in the blank to the right.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	abril (ah-breel)	April	a	<u>abril, abril, abril, abril, abril</u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	absoluto (ahb-soh-loo-toh)	absolute		_____
<input type="checkbox"/>	el accidente (ahk-see-den-teh)	accident		_____
<input type="checkbox"/>	activo (ahk-tee-voh)	active		_____
<input type="checkbox"/>	el acto (ahk-toh)	act (of a play)		_____

Free **palabras** like these will appear at the bottom of the following pages in a yellow color band.

They are easy — enjoy them! Remember, in Spanish, the letter “**h**” (es) is silent.