

¡Buenos días, clase!

On a piece of paper, please write down what you think each of these words mean in English.

1. el densta 6. el elefante

2. el doctor 7. la definición

3. la nación 8. febrero

4. italiano 9. excelente

5. la bicicleta 10. estupendo

Translate cognates

Cognates

Words in Spanish often resemble English words you already know (e.g., *acento* looks similar to the English word **accent**). Words that resemble one another and that have the same meaning in two languages are called **cognates** (*cognados*). Do you recognize these cognates?

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When words look similar but have entirely different meanings in Spanish and English, they are called **false cognates**. Here are a few examples: *colegio* (school), *éxito* (success), *lectura* (reading), *sin* (without).



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Cognados = cognates

***Words that look similar in both English and Spanish and have the same definition.**

***Beware of *false cognates (cognados falsos)*!**

-These are words that do not mean what you think they should!

**Ejemplo: la lectura, el colegio, el éxito
reading, high school, success**

Notes - Cognates