

Semana 5



Enrich your vocabulary through Spanish the Latin connection

Many of the Spanish words you have learned in this unit come directly from Latin. English contains many words which have the same Latin roots. Match the English words in parentheses with their corresponding definitions.

1. **beber** (from the Latin **bibere**: *to drink*)

a. what a child wears so as not to dirty his/her clothes when drinking:

a _____

b. to drink: to _____

c. a liquid refreshment or drink: a _____

(beverage bib imbibe)

2. **comer** (from the Latin **comedere**: *to eat up*)

a. something which is edible or can be eaten: a _____ item

b. food: _____

(comestible comestibles)

3. **creer** (from the Latin **credere**: *to believe*)

a. something that is hard to believe: something _____

b. someone who believes everything: a _____ person

c. someone whom people do not believe in: someone who has lost all

d. What you carry to establish belief in your identity: _____

(credibility credulous incredible credentials)

4. **decir** (from the Latin **dicere**: *to say, tell*)

a. to say what another person should write: to _____

b. a person who tells the people of a country what to do: a _____

c. the choice and use of words in speech: _____

d. to say in advance what will happen: to _____

(dictate diction dictator predict)

5. **escribir** (from the Latin **scribere**: *to write*)

a. the type of writing done by young children: _____

b. a person who writes for someone else: a _____

c. a written text: a _____

(scribbling scribe script)

6. **leer** (from the Latin **legere**: *to read*)
- a signature which one can read: a _____ signature
 - a prepared text meant to be read aloud: a _____
 - a letter which is impossible to read: an _____ letter
(illegible lecture legible)
7. **vender** (from the Latin **vendere**: *to sell*)
- a person who sells things: a _____
 - a machine which sells items: a _____ machine
(vending vendor)
8. **ver** (from the Latin **videre**: *to see*)
- which cannot be seen: _____
 - the distance one can see under certain conditions: _____
 - a magnetic recording of what is seen and heard: a _____
(invisible videotape visibility)
9. **madre** (from the Latin **mater**: *mother*)
- a mother's love: _____ love
 - a hospital ward for mothers and babies: a _____ ward
(maternal maternity)
10. **padre** (from the Latin **pater**: *father*)
- a father's discipline: _____ discipline
 - the practice of treating people in a fatherly manner: _____
(paternal paternalism)
11. **primero** (from the Latin **primarius**: *first, principal*)
- the first coat of paint: the _____
 - the first set of elections: the _____
 - the first school one attends: _____ school
 - the first and most important member of the cabinet: the _____
minister
(prime primer primaries primary)
12. **octavo** (from the Latin **octavus**: *eighth*)
- a span of eight notes: an _____
 - a figure with eight sides: an _____
 - formerly the eighth month of the year (before the addition of July and August):

(octagon octave October)