



Enrich your vocabulary through Spanish the Latin connection

Many of the words in this unit come directly from Latin. Many English words are related to these same Latin roots. Match the English words in parentheses with their corresponding definitions.

1. **estrecho** (from the Latin **strictus**: *tight, severe*)
 - a. a measure which severely narrows your options: a _____ measure
 - b. a person who is severe as a teacher is: _____
 - c. a snake which tightly holds its prey: a boa _____
(constrictor restrictive strict)

2. **corto** (from the Latin **curtus**: *short*)
 - a. a very brief response: a _____ response
 - b. to cut short: to _____
(curt curtail)

3. **fuerte** (from the Latin **fortis**: *strong*)
 - a. a stronghold: a _____ or a _____
 - b. to strengthen: to _____
 - c. to console someone and give strength: to _____
(comfort fortification fortify fortress)



4. **débil** (from the Latin **debilis**: *weak*)
 - a. an illness which takes away your strength and leaves you weak:
a _____ sickness
 - b. feebleness or weakness: _____
 - c. to weaken: to _____
(debilitate debilitating debility)

5. **mejor** (from the Latin **melior**: *better*)
 - a. improved weather: an _____ in the weather
 - b. to improve or better one's behavior: to _____ one's behavior
(ameliorate amelioration)

6. **ojo** (from the Latin **oculus**: *eye*)
- an eye doctor: an _____
 - field glasses designed to be used by both eyes at once: _____
 - a reading lens for one eye: _____
 - pertaining to the eye: _____
(binoculars monocle ocular oculist)
7. **cuerpo** (from the Latin **corpus**: *body*)
- bodily punishment: _____ punishment
 - a dead body: a _____
 - a person with a bulky body: a _____ person
 - a small body or cell in the bloodstream: a white or red _____
 - a body of persons under military command: a _____ of soldiers
(corporal corps corpse corpulent corpuscle)
8. **pelo** (from the Latin **pilus**: *hair*)
- the skin of a fox with its hair: a _____
 - a cream used for removing hair: a _____ cream
(depilatory pelt)
9. **pie** (from the Latin **pes**: *foot*)
- someone who walks or goes on foot: a _____
 - an insect with 100 feet: a _____
 - to have your toenails filed and polished: to have a _____
 - a lever worked by the foot: a _____
(centipede pedal pedestrian pedicure)
10. **mano** (from the Latin **manus**: *hand*)
- a text written by hand: a _____
 - to have your fingernails filed and polished: to have a _____
 - to handle: to _____
 - work done with one's hands: _____ labor
 - handcuffs: _____
(manacles manage manicure manual manuscript)
11. **vestirse** (from the Latin **vestire**: *to clothe*)
- ceremonial robes worn by a priest: _____
 - to remove one's clothes or one's power: to _____
 - the room in a church where ceremonial robes are kept: the _____
(divest vestments vestry)