

Spanish Root Mega-Deck —

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How to use this sample

This is a free preview of the deluxe pack. Study the three families below, try the practice lines, then check the mini answer key. The full deck has 100 Spanish root families with cognates, practice prompts, and a full answer key — for self-study and classroom warmups.. Buy the complete PDF at studynewlanguages.co/shop/.

Root · spect

Core meanings: look, see, watch Levels: A1-B2

Word	Meaning	Level
espectáculo	show, spectacle	A2
espectador	spectator, viewer	A2
inspeccionar	to inspect	B1
perspectiva	perspective	B1
respeto	respect	A2
sospechar	to suspect	B1

Cognate bridges: Italian: spettacolo, rispetto · French: spectacle, respect · English: spectacle, inspect, respect

Practice

1. What core idea does the root «spect» carry?

2. What does «espectáculo» mean?

3. What does «espectador» mean?

4. What does «inspeccionar» mean?

5. What does «perspectiva» mean?

Root · dict

Core meanings: say, speak, declare Levels: A1-B1

Word	Meaning	Level
decir	to say	A1
diccionario	dictionary	A1
dictado	dictation	A2
predicar	to preach	B2
contradictorio	contradictory	B2

Cognate bridges: Italian: dire, dizionario · French: dire, dictionnaire · English: dictate, dictionary, contradict

Practice

1. What core idea does the root «dict» carry?

2. What does «decir» mean?

3. What does «diccionario» mean?

4. What does «dictado» mean?

5. What does «predicar» mean?

Root · port

Core meanings: carry, bring Levels: A1-B2

Word	Meaning	Level
porta	door (gate sense) / carries	A1
importar	to matter; to import	A2
exportar	to export	B1
soportar	to endure; to support	B1
transporte	transport	A2
oportuno	opportune, timely	B2

Cognate bridges: Italian: portare, trasporto · French: porter, transport · English: port, transport, export

Practice

1. What core idea does the root «port» carry?

2. What does «porta» mean?

3. What does «importar» mean?

4. What does «exportar» mean?

5. What does «soportar» mean?

Sample answer key

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Root · port

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