

## Need Phrases

I would like . . .	<b>Me gustaría . . .</b>
I'm looking for. . .	<b>Estoy buscando . . .</b>
I need . . .	<b>Necesito . . . .</b>
- a taxi	- <b>un taxi</b>
I need (am missing) . .	<b>Me falta(n) . . .</b>
How much is it . . .	<b>¿Cuánto me cobra por . . .</b>
- to take me by cab to	- <b>llevarme en taxi a . . .?</b>
- for this/that/these	- <b>esto/eso/estos?</b>
Do you speak English?	<b>¿Habla Usted inglés?</b>
Slower, please.	<b>Más despacio, por favor</b>
Can you repeat that?	<b>¿Me lo puede repetir?</b>
Is that OK?	<b>¿Está bien?</b>
What does this mean?	<b>¿Qué significa ésto?</b>
Where is . . .	<b>¿Dónde está . .</b>
- the restaurant?	- <b>el restaurante?</b>
- the check?	- <b>la cuenta?</b>
- the bus/train station?	- <b>la estación de autobuses/de tren?</b>
- the restroom?	- <b>los servicios/baños?</b>



Central Market in Downtown Cuernavaca

## Visiting Places

When is it open?	<b>¿Cuándo se abre?</b>
When is it closed?	<b>¿Cuándo se cierra?</b>
What time is it?	<b>¿Qué hora es?</b>
It's _____ o'clock.	<b>Son las . . .</b>
Now	<b>Ahora</b>
Later	<b>Luego/Más tarde</b>
Soon	<b>Pronto</b>
A little bit (time)	<b>Un rato</b>
Morning	<b>De la mañana</b>
Afternoon	<b>De la tarde</b>
Night	<b>De la noche</b>
Is there . .	<b>¿Hay . .</b>
- a guide?	- <b>un guía?</b>
- a souvenir shop?	- <b>una tienda?</b>
- water?	- <b>agua purificada?</b>
- wireless connection?	- <b>conexión inalámbrica?</b>
Can one take pictures?	<b>¿Se puede sacar fotos?</b>

Mi dirección:

La colonia:

El # de teléfono:

El nombre de mi familia:

## Emergency

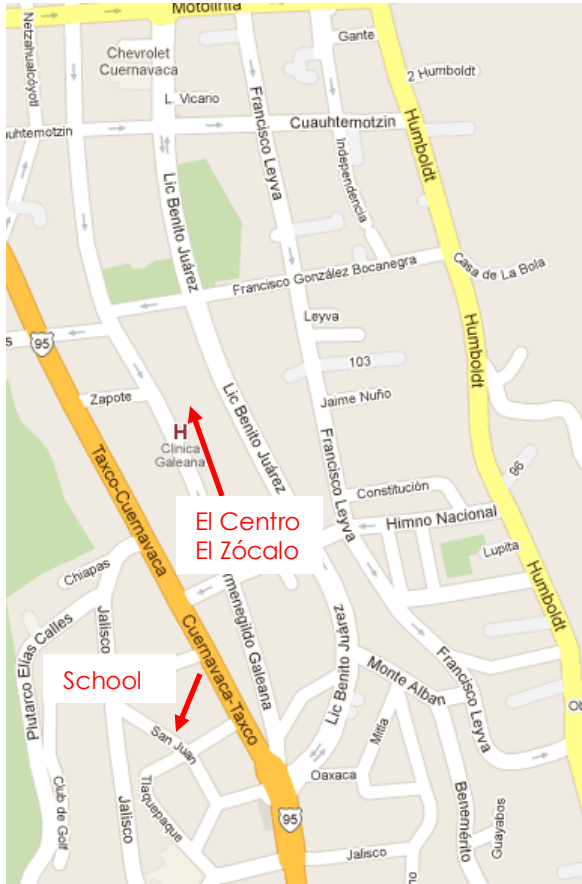
Help!	<b>¡Socorro!/¡Ayuda!</b>
Fire!	<b>¡Fuego!/Incendio!</b>
I need a doctor.	<b>Necesito un médico.</b>
I don't feel well.	<b>No me siento bien.</b>
I feel . . .	<b>Me siento . . .</b>
-sick	- <b>enfermo/a</b>
-dizzy	- <b>mareado/a</b>
I'm going to throw up.	<b>Estoy por vomitar.</b>
I'm having a heart attack.	<b>Estoy sufriendo un infarto.</b>
I don't know.	<b>No sé.</b>
I'm allergic to . . .	<b>Tengo alergia a . . .</b>
I injured . . .	<b>Me lastimé . . .</b>
I hurt . . .	<b>Me dolió . . .</b>
I've been robbed.	<b>Me robaron.</b>
Call an ambulance!	<b>¡Llamen a una ambulancia!</b>

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View of Cuernavaca



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## Nine Culture Tips

1. Take a prescription of CIPRO with you and take it as soon as you experience any twinge of an upset stomach.
2. Throw toilet paper in trashcan, do not flush it.
3. Leave a few bites of food on your plate to show you are full or done.
4. Buy fruit from the market and what you can peel or wash in purified water at home. Do not buy ready-to-eat fruit in a cup from a vendor.
5. Look for local items to take back home such as chocolate, vanilla, silver, hand-made bags and clothing, tequila and Kahlúa. This all costs a fraction of what it does in the U.S.
6. Wear house shoes at all times in the home or hotel. Bare feet are a no-no and so is putting your feet on furniture anywhere.
7. Use Spanish as much as possible - the words **por favor** and **gracias** can never be under-utilized!
8. When bartering offer half the asking price and then work your way up.
9. If you don't want to be bothered by vendors or small children selling items, the trick is to avoid eye contact. Shake your head slightly "no" and give them a brief "no" by using your index finger and waving it once or twice quickly. Remember- don't make eye contact, otherwise they will continue to pester you.



# Survival Spanish

50 Essential Phrases for Survival and Pleasant Travels In and Around Spanish-speaking America



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