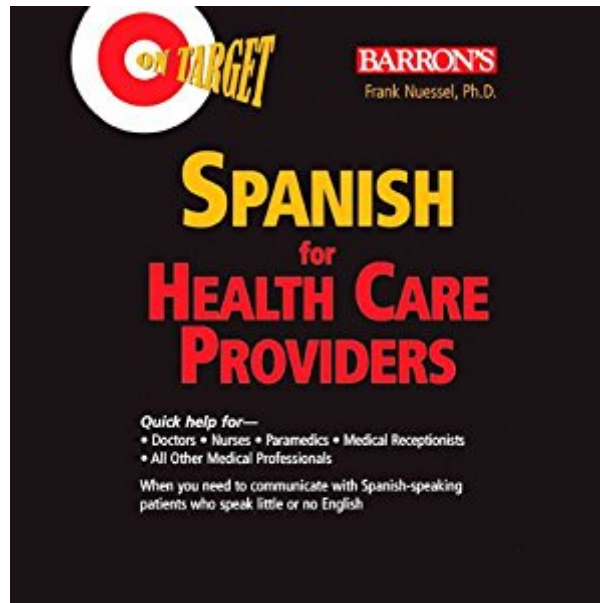




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On Target: Spanish For Health Care Providers



Synopsis

This audiobook is designed to help non-Spanish-speaking medical personnel communicate with Hispanics who have little or no English but need medical help. The audiobook presents English and Spanish words and phrases categorized according to different medically related subjects. Body parts, names of diseases, types of injury, and surgical procedures are just a few of the subjects in which English phrases are matched with their Spanish equivalents. Here is an ideal aid for doctors, nurses, paramedics, hospital and clinic receptionists and administrators, and others who speak no Spanish but frequently deal with Spanish-speaking patients.

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Customer Reviews

This is one of the half a dozen or so products out there w/ an audio cd for medical spanish. I've previously used "Spanish for Healthcare Professionals with 3 Audio CDs " by Harvey and "McGraw-Hill's Spanish for Healthcare Providers : A Practical Course for Quick and Confident Communication" by Rios, which also has 3 CD's. While the first two products are for beginners, this product assumes u already know some spanish...such as those w/ HS spanish. It's a 60 or so minute CD w/ text of all the contents on CD in booklet. Comes in DVD sized case. Itunes recognizes CD so u can convert to MP3 easily. It does a decent job of pointing out common words in medical field..but goes overboard w/ the diet section. (Do i really want to know how to name the various fruits and veggies in spanish?) In terms of content, this CD fails to include anything relating to a 12 point review of systems(i.e. HEENT, CV, Resp, GI, etc). There's a vocab section where u might pick up terms like nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea...but it requires some searching. Instead of putting in on

1 cd, it should have slowed down the rate added a ROS and put it on 2 cds. For the speed of the product, it'll read like rapid fire:1. English2. .5-1s PAUSE3. SpanishUnless u already knew a word, learning in your car will be impossible w/o the accompanying text. Thus, if you've never had spanish before, forget about touching this product as it doesn't even let u take a breath.Both the Harvey and Rios books are better in this respect. Rios probably best source. Harvey CDs also good if u can learn to ignore the annoying "BEEP sound" after each word. You could be like me and listen to all three. Each has is good points.I'd give this 2.5 stars...but will raise to 3 to give it the benefit of the doubt.

Me and why I bought this:I am a conversationally fluent non-native Spanish speaker with a need to learn pertinent health care vocabulary. Before purchasing this I knew nothing beyond the names of some major body parts and basic anatomical landmarks (I'm talking on the level of "sien" [temple], not "colodrillo" [occiput] - which you can learn with this CD...).The review:As others have said, this should NOT be your first purchase if you're not already very comfortable with the Spanish language. Those reviews were actually the reason I selected this product, since I didn't want any hand holding; I just wanted a high-yield vocabulary source. On this count, it succeeds.The tracks have a very basic format - rapid fire vocab "english word/phrase" (LITERALLY 1/2 second pause) "equivalent Spanish word/phrase"). The insane speed that one would need to pause this, combined with the sheer number of times one would need to pause, makes this a resource primarily for those who are comfortable taking in Spanish vocabulary in real time. Even more specifically, it's probably a resource best suited to those who are willing to use the "beat it in through sheer repetition" method, since there's no time to so much say a new word out loud before you're hearing the next english word or phrase.So, given my needs and the great price, this was a 5 star product. Why 4 stars, then?THEY DID NOT INCLUDE THE ARTICLE (el/la) FOR !!!ANYTHING!!! in SPANISH! This was a HUGE letdown for me. Yes, most nouns conform to some pretty basic rules, but I hate looking like an idiot because I didn't ever learn that XYZ was an exception. One is left to either look things up (I didn't get an audio resource so I could use a printed adjunct - though the CD does come with some printed material. I've not looked at it), or just hope that you guess correctly. I don't much like either option.

This is a great CD if you already know some Spanish. I don't know much Spanish, but I listen to it during my drive to and from work & have learned a variety of words and sentences. It's not a "Hello, my name is" type of CD and I enjoy that.It's fast paced if you don't know Spanish. But I still enjoy it.

This cd consists of words and phrases read in english immediately followed by the same phrase in spanish. There is almost no gap between one phrase and the next - certainly not enough to repeat the phrase or to think about what you are hearing. If you are using it with the book as a guide to pronunciation then that is what you have - no more no less. But as a stand alone teaching aid this is totally worthless.

This is exactly an audio CD that runs through a list of words for health care providers. There are no lessons in this, just groups of terms separated into different tracks. For example, ER is one track, and body parts would be another. This is good if you already know Spanish as the words are spoken very quickly. No pause for you to repeat. Great for referencing your pronunciation, but if you are a beginner, this is not adequate for learning. Pros: Comes with a great dictionary of commonly used medical terms. The dictionary is essential. Each section is a different track so you can skip to the section you want. Cons: CD is only a spanish speaker running through lists of Spanish words without English translation. The dictionary is great, but since the English translation is not spoken, you have to be looking at the dictionary at the same time or you're not going to know what the word means. This means no listening to it in the car. No time after each word to learn and repeat. Bottom line: My review comes from someone who does not any Spanish so this CD was very exciting at first, but might be more beneficial once I learn some basics and need to work on pronunciation. For that same reason, not good if you need time to repeat the words. I would consider it a reference and not active learning for a beginner. I will hold on to it, but will most likely not be using it anytime soon. For beginners I would recommend Barron's Work book.

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