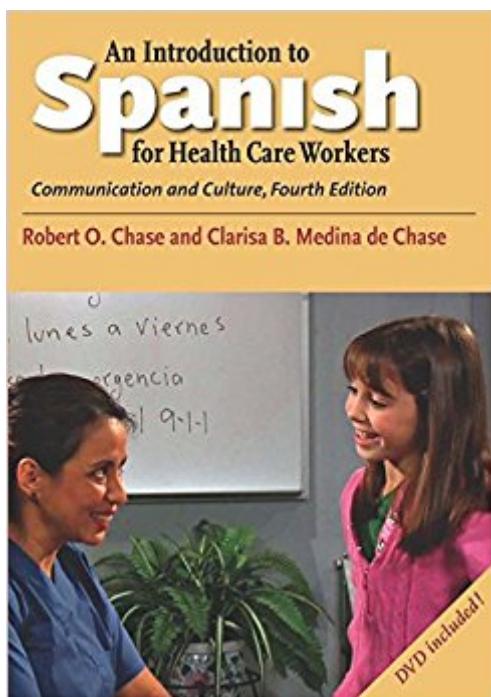


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# An Introduction To Spanish For Health Care Workers: Communication And Culture, Fourth Edition (English And Spanish Edition)



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This book helped me with a class I took for "Spanish for Healthcare Professionals". I suggest buying it! It was perfect!

I really do not care for this book, but it is required for the course I am taking. Each chapter has vocabulary words that are simply spread throughout the chapter, with no compilation at the beginning or end or even in an appendix. This is very frustrating. While I am familiar with much of the vocabulary already, I do not know it all and our professor gives us a vocabulary test with each chapter. This makes it very difficult as a student to know exactly what information you are responsible for. This strikes me as peculiar because in any type of course where vocabulary words are included, there is always a list of all the vocabulary for the chapter somewhere. I also find flashcards useful but making them is a pain since I have to flip all over the place and in the first chapter already missed some of the vocabulary. I was not alone in this as my entire class was not properly prepared for our first vocabulary quiz. If you are an instructor considering this book, please, for the sake of your students choose something else! To the publisher...consider some edits and most of all put the vocabulary into lists please!!!

The book all in all is a good book. however, i found that some of the phrases and words are not very accurate but that was only 2% of the time. (i had a native speaker teaching our class) i am an advanced spanish speaker and this book seems to be for beginner level speakers. it teaches the advanced vocab along with estar/ser. good book over all though.

I work in healthcare and have a diverse patient population. This book helps with the understanding and communicating to Spanish speaking patients.

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