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Larousse College Dictionary: Spanish-English / Ingles-Espanol (Spanish And English Edition)



Synopsis

Aimed at upper-intermediate and advanced users who need more than a pocket-size or concise dictionary can offer, the Larousse College Dictionary is available in both Spanish and French editions. It provides in-depth coverage of common vocabulary and a broad range of business terminology to appeal not only to students but to those who use Spanish or French in their professional lives. The College Dictionary is full of useful features, such as 120,000 entries with more than 200,000 translations. Thousands of illustrative examples and idiomatic expressions. 120 boxed entries on life and culture. Notes on "false friends" and easily confused words. A 64-page communication guide covering topics such as writing letters and e-mails, applying for jobs, writing advertisements, and more. Verb conjugation tables. The Larousse College Dictionary packs all of Larousse's language expertise into one convenient volume, an excellent balance of content and value.

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Customer Reviews

The Larousse editorial team includes many language and reference experts based in countries around the world. In this way the linguistic team keeps its finger on the pulse of living languages as

spoken by the native language speakers of these countries.

I'm taking Spanish lessons, and I wanted a good, old-fashioned paper dictionary to help with vocabulary, grammar, and usage. You can always use the web as a reference, and there are many useful websites, but when I am working on my lessons, I don't want to go over to the computer or futz with my smartphone. Next thing you know, I'll be surfing the internet and ignoring my lessons. Being a "college" edition, this dictionary is a good compromise between a lightweight casual dictionary and an exhaustive (and expensive) unabridged dictionary. After using it for several weeks, I find it to be just right, and just what I wanted. Although the product page mentions the first edition (2005), I ordered this dictionary in late 2014 and received the second edition (2009). I noticed another popular dictionary on Amazon, The New World Spanish/English, English/Spanish Dictionary (which I also bought), is listed as the 1996 edition, which is what I received. The Larousse, being 13 years newer, might be more up-to-date with idioms and other cultural details. As a hardcover edition that's sturdy enough to last a long time, the Larousse is also a very good value. I think the Larousse dictionary is very easy to read, with a nice typographic style and high-contrast printing, plus it's easy to flip through the pages, with good quality paper and a good binding. Nouns and adjectives clearly indicate all available genders for the word. Verb definitions are listed under the infinitive form, but the conjugated versions of the verb are also present and refer you to the infinitive entry. Many verbs have a number (in brackets) that refers you to a useful verb conjugation chart in the back, which shows any irregular forms of the verb. The dictionary has other useful features, too. FYI, the dictionary also translates curse words, if you need to build up that part of your vocabulary. Overall, I am pleased with the Larousse dictionary, and consider it to be a worthy reference that will get frequent use.

I love this dictionary. I like that it includes phrases, and says what Spanish speaking country the words or phrases are most commonly used. I had one that I have used since 2009, the cover is falling off and I am still loving it. And I have just bought another so I can have one upstairs, and one downstairs. The new one is smaller than the old one, so a little more transportable, it is kind of a heavy book. The new one has the English first and the Spanish second, but I like the older one better as it is reversed of this and I look up more Spanish words than English so I have to remember to look in the back with the new dictionary. But never the less, it is a valuable tool and can be very entertaining!

Dictionary compilers realise that they can never hope to attain perfection. The OED's compilers came close to it, but then their Herculean labours ran to 20 volumes ... so let's get realistic. Larousse has done a pretty good job here. Their dictionary knocks spots off a number of competing works. It would be churlish of me to report on the handful of words or expressions I failed to find in these pages, because the volume of useful, up-to-date vocabulary is praiseworthy. And the presentation, an important factor, has been very much designed with the user in mind. In other words, if WYSIWYG, WYS here is more than satisfactory.

I had been using a concise paperback one which was really easy to carry around, buttruly....was useless!! I was soooo frustrated with that limited version. I ordered the Larousse, even after some reviewers mentioned how HUGE and heavy it was! I've had it for a month now, and would not trade it for anything. Yes, it's heavy and thick, but it is really one of the keys to getting language comprehension going (for me). This dictionary is so forgiving! If a verb tense is not the root or an adverb is not streamlined enough, the dictionary will redirect you. Thanks for a quality product!

One of the best put together book ever. Both the book and the seller are outstanding.

My family has been using the Spanish Larousse dictionary for years but I've never had one of my own. Especially one that is English-Spanish, Spanish-English. It's a wonderful tool. It's somewhat limited in its range of Spanish idioms but there's so many of them that it would probably take an entire volume just for that. Overall, I'm very satisfied with my purchase.

This dictionary has everything you could ever want for a Spanish/English dictionary. My daughter is minoring in Spanish in college, and the professor recommended this version. The only downside is the size, it is HUGE, over 1000 pages! Hard to carry in a backpack because of how heavy it is.

Not a bad dictionary, but not for a professional working with both languages on a daily basis.

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