

Language Lessons

As a companion piece to our feature on outreach to Spanish-speaking communities, we offer the first class of Spanish 101, shelter-style. This material is excerpted from a new HSUS publication, *Spanish Phrases for Animal Care and Control Work*, which will be available for purchase in 2007.

Basic animal-related words and phrases

The shelter

El refugio (ehl reh-foo-hyo)

The shelter opens at _____.

El refugio abre a las _____.
(ehl reh-foo-hyo ah-breh ah lahs_____)

I am from the Humane Society.

Soy de la Humane Society.
(soy deh lah)

Animal control officer

El oficial de animales
(ehl oh-fee-see-ahl deh ah-nee-mah-lehs)

Owner

El dueño (ehl dweh-nyo)

Police

La policía (lah poh-lee-see-ah)

Kennel

La caseta para perros (lah kah-seh-tah pah-rah pehr-rohs)
La jaula (lah hah-oo-lah)
La perrera (lah pehr-rehr-rah)

Local animal control authority

La autoridad local de control de animales (lah ah-oo-toh-ree-dahd loh-kahl deh kohn-trohl deh ah-nee-mah-lehs)

Animals

Los animales (lohs ah-nee-mah-lehs)

Animal

El animal (ehl ah-nee-mahl)

Pet

La mascota (lah mah-skoh-tah)



¿Pero cómo

se dice

“pooper scooper”



Veterinarian

El veterinario (ehl veh-tehr-ee-nah-ryo)

Vaccine

La vacuna (lah vah-koo-nah)

Vaccination

La vacunación (lah vah-koo-nah-syohn)

Housetraining

El entrenamiento para que no haga sus necesidades en la casa (ehl ehn-treh-nah-mee-ehn-toh pah-rah keh noh ah-gah soos neh-seh-see-dah-dehs ehn lah kah-sah)

A leash, collar, and tag

Una correa, un collar, y una placa de identificación (oo-nah kohr-reh-ah, oon koh-yahr, ee oon-ah plah-kah deh ee-dehn-tee-fee-kah-see-ohn)

Litter box

La caja de arena (lah kah-hah deh ah-reh-nah)

Grooming

El corte de pelo (ehl kohr-teh deh peh-loh)

The animal needs:

Food

La comida (lah koh-mee-dah)

Medicine

La medicina (lah meh-dee-see-nah)

Shelter

El albergue (ehl ahl-behr-geh)
La protección (lah proh-tehk-syohn)
El refugio (ehl reh-foo-hyo)

Water

El agua (ehl ah-gwah)

Spaying/neutering

Spaying/neutralizar
(spaying/neh-oo-trah-lee-sahr)
Esterilizar/castrar (eh-steh-ree-lee-sahr/kah-strahr)

Adoption

La adopción (lah ah-dohp-syohn)

The animal is:

Injured

Herido (eh-ree-doh)

Friendly

Amistoso (ah-mee-stoh-soh)

Sick

Enfermo (ehn-fehr-moh)

Dangerous

Peligroso (peh-lee-groh-soh)

Pregnant

Embarazada (ehm-bahr-ah-sah-dah)