

ARIZONA EDVENTURES

Spanish - English Words

The first Europeans to settle in Arizona were the Spaniards. After Mexico won its independence from Spain, the Mexicans established their culture throughout much of Arizona. The primary language of Mexico is Spanish, because it was a colonial possession of Spain for roughly 300 years (1520 - 1820). Many words familiar to Arizonans can be traced to the Spanish language. Match the Spanish words below to their English equivalent.

Adobe	Ranch
Amigo	House
Arroyo	Courtyard
Barrio	Table
Cafeteria	Gorge
Canyon	Stream
Casa	Quick(ly)
Corral	Public Square
Fiesta	Dining Area
Mesa	Friend
Patio	Party
Plaza	Brick
Pronto	Animal Pen
Rancho	Neighborhood

ANSWERS: Adobe = Brick; Amigo = Friend; Arroyo = Stream; Barrio = Neighborhood; Cafeteria = Dining Area; Canyon = Gorge; Casa = House; Corral = Animal Pen; Fiesta = Party; Mesa = Table; Patio = Courtyard; Plaza = Public Square; Pronto = Quick(ly); Rancho = Ranch