

travelling by train

<p>Learn with television</p> <p>Talk Spanish: Programme 5</p> <p>Watch people buying tickets at Valencia station, find out about the different types of trains in Spain and learn how to ask for a ticket and enquire about train times.</p> <p>Talk Spanish is repeated regularly on BBC Learning Zone (BBC Two). Check out the details on www.bbc.co.uk/learningzone and video the programmes to watch at your leisure.</p>	<p>Learn online</p> <p>www.bbc.co.uk/languages/spanish</p> <p>Spanish Steps</p> <p>Stage 5: Buying a train ticket</p> <p>Join Kevin in Madrid station as he gets ready to go to Segovia, have a go yourself at buying a ticket and using a metro ticket machine, then check out the links to sites of interest.</p> <p>Talk Spanish: Un billete para...</p> <p>A young woman buys a first class ticket for Madrid and a man plans to travel by local train. Watch them on video then do the activities and check your progress.</p>
<p>Learning hint</p> <p>Use the Spanish National Railway website www.renfe.es to plan a train journey from Valencia to another town in Spain. Go to the home page and enter the destination and the date you wish to travel. Pick a train from the ones offered and print out the details. Then practise the questions you'd need to ask in a station to find out the departure/arrival times, cost of the ticket and whether you need to change.</p>	
<p>Key language</p> <p>Quería un billete para ... I'd like a ticket for ...</p> <p>¿A qué hora sale? What time does it leave?</p> <p>¿A qué hora llega? What time does it arrive?</p> <p>¿Es directo? Is it a direct train?</p> <p>¿Tengo que hacer transbordo? Do I need to change trains?</p> <p>¿Cuánto es...? How much is ...?</p> <p>¿Es éste el tren de...? Is this the train for...?</p> <p>¿Para cuándo lo quiere? When do you want it for?</p>	<p>el tren de cercanías local train</p> <p>el autobús bus, coach</p> <p>el billete de ida y vuelta return ticket</p> <p>fumador/no fumador smoking/non smoking</p> <p>primera/segunda clase first/second class</p> <p>el andén platform</p> <p>la reserva reservation</p> <p>la parada stop</p>
<p>Quiz</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. If you're told that your train sale a las dieciocho veinte?, what time is it due to leave? 2. You go to buy a ticket and you're asked ¿Para cuándo lo quiere? What information do they want? 3. You're then told that the train tiene una parada. What does it mean? 4. If you hear that the train llega a su hora, does it mean that it's on time or that it's late? 5. How would you say that you'd like a return ticket to Barcelona for today? 6. The price of your ticket is 34,28€. Say that in Spanish. <p>Answers on www.bbc.co.uk/languages/spanish/answers.shtml</p>	