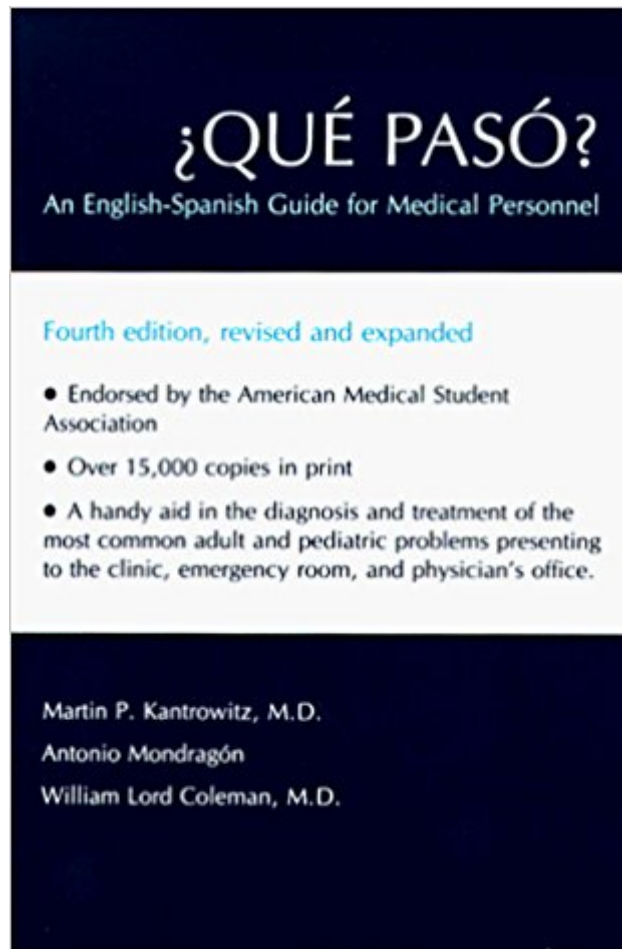




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# ¿QUÉ PASÓ?: An English-Spanish Guide For Medical Personnel



## Synopsis

Designed to facilitate communication between Spanish-speaking patients with little or no knowledge of English and English-speaking medical personnel with little or no knowledge of Spanish, this handy book, a best seller in its first three editions, is now issued in a fourth edition, the first to include pediatric workups. Designed for use in the clinic, the emergency room, the physician's office, and at the patient's bedside, *¿Qué Pasa?* is also useful for travelers in Spanish-speaking countries. In addition to guides to common phrases, everyday questions, and answers, and essential non-medical terminology and vocabulary, the authors have provided a variety of medical workups on situations ranging from the headache to family planning. The new pediatric material will make this highly praised book even more useful than the earlier editions.

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Designed to facilitate communication between Spanish-speaking patients and English-speaking medical personnel; includes pediatric workups.

All hospitals have translators or phone systems used for translating, but frankly this is a pain in the butt if you need to ask just one question. Having a patient that you cannot converse with leads to very impersonal care. I cannot tell you how nice it is to be able to say "I am going to take your temperature" instead of miming it or just sticking it in their mouth. This little book teaches you very helpful, direct ways to communicate in Spanish. It is also small and thin enough to carry around with you for quick reference. Some people may think "I will just use Google Translate" but trust me it does not correctly translate most medical terms or phrases correctly!! Only problem is that it does not offer a good pronunciation guide. If you have had absolutely no Spanish before it may be difficult to get the pronunciations right on your own.

This book has been extremely helpful to use at work when a language barrier is present (English-Spanish) and a translator is not available or just to review and work on your medical Spanish. Easy to read and understand. Has multiple different medical areas covered.

It's a really great tool for anyone attempting to do medical interpreting.

Good book for the medical profession.

Excellent

The book has a lot of useful phrases for dealing with someone until you get a translator. It could really use a pronunciation guide. It is very basic. It is a little outdated and it does not cover any new medical terminology that has been in use since the 1980's. You will not find names for new technological instruments just the basic X ray and such. Also, you will not be able to find out how to ask questions that are problems for today. Example, the book tells you how to ask a parent if the child swallowed gasoline or bleach but not new questions for today like "did your child sniff glue?"

However, for the price and for quick reference, the book served its purpose.

Booklet; format and content very good. No pronunciation guide. Accessible, sturdy, easy to handle, space for notes - a bargain.

I took this book to Bolivia, as a non-Spanish speaking medical missionary. Soon I was conversant, at least in the medical clinic. I am now buying a copy for each doctor on our staff, and an extra copy for the E.R.

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