

Policía

It may be against your company *policía* to wear shorts to work, but that's if your company employs fashion police, because *policía* means "police," not policy. For "company policy," you will hear *reglas de la empresa* or *reglamento de la empresa*.

Police**Pulpa**

Pulpo means octopus, but *pulpa* is not a female octopus. *Pulpa* means "pulp" like that of an orange. It also means "flesh," like the flesh of a skinned fish, but not for the flesh of beef and pork. For beef, you say, "*carne*" and for pork, "*carne de puerco*."

Flesh**Quehacer**

Just remember that *qué* = "what" and that *hacer* = "to do," so *los quehaceres* are your everyday "what to do's" or chores.

Chore**Racha**

When you can't lose at the blackjack table, then you're on a *racha buena* (good streak). The baseball player who struck out the last ten times at the plate is on a *racha mala* (bad streak).

Streak**Receta**

Not to be confused with *recibo* (receipt), which is what you get after you make a purchase. A *receta* refers to a prescription you get from your doctor or a recipe to make your favorite dish.

Prescription**Recovecos**

If you know the back-alley shortcuts and the hole-in-the-wall restaurants, and you can get around the city practically blindfolded, then you know the *recovecos* (ins and outs) of your city.

Ins and outs**Recta final**

After a long and difficult journey, this is the light at the end of the tunnel.

Home stretch