

**Vocabulary:**

**"False Friends"**. We call False Friends, or Falsos Amigos, to those English words which look similar to other words in Spanish, but they differ significantly in meaning. For instance, to be "constipated" has nothing to do with "estar constipado", which means "to have a cold". Being "constipated" means "estar estreñado". Another example is the word "Conductor", which refers to the person who directs an orchestra, and not to the person who drives a vehicle.

Below is a list with some common "false friends" with the correct translations.

Your **job for the next week** will be to find the right word to express the concepts. ↓

Traducción correcta	← Inglés →	Traducción errónea	Palabra correcta en inglés:
de hecho	actually	actualmente →	now, currently
consejo	advice	aviso	
ayudar	assist	asistir a	
director de orquesta	conductor	conductor	
engaño	deception	decepción	
pedir	to demand	demandar	
asco	disgust	disgusto	
finalmente	eventually	eventualmente	
salida	exit	éxito	
tejido	fabric	fábrica	
herida	injury	injuria	
alegría	jubilation	jubilación	
viaje	journey	jornada	
conferencia	lecture	lectura	
biblioteca	library	librería	
mermelada de naranja	marmalade	mermelada	
automovilista	motorist	motorista	
conservante	preservative	preservativo	
fingir	to pretend	pretender	
descansar	to rest	restar	
repasar	to revise	revisar	
sensato	sensible	sensible	
comprensivo	sympathetic	simpático	
malhumorado	truculent	truculento	

## **Reading comprehension:**

Read the text. Then complete the sentences below with the correct relative pronouns.

There may be more than one correct answer. Then tick the sentences T (true) or F (false).

### **THE MOUNT ST HELENS DISASTER**

Mount St Helens is a volcano in the northwest of the USA. Until 1980, the countryside around the mountain had magnificent forests and lakes, which were home to many animals and fish.

Thousands of visitors came to Mount St Helens to enjoy its natural beauty. All that changed on 18th May, 1980. When the side of the mountain collapsed, Mount St Helens erupted with the energy of a nuclear explosion.

The eruption did not come as a surprise to the experts. In 1980, there were many events which indicated something terrible was going to happen. On 15th March, there was an earthquake under the mountain. A week later, an eruption occurred, and a gigantic crater opened on the top of the mountain. From then until May, there were more earthquakes and more eruptions. The situation was so dangerous that the authorities warned people to stay away from the region near the volcano.

Fifty-seven people died on 18th May and hundreds of people became homeless. Tragically, many of them were in areas that were considered safe!

Forests burned to the ground within minutes, and more than 7,000 bears, deer and other animals were killed. Millions of fish also died, but many frogs survived! The beautiful mountain region now resembled the moon – it was all grey stone.

More than 30 years have passed since that terrible day, and nature is slowly returning to Mount St Helens. Visitors can see some trees and other plants and deer. And what will happen in the future? By the year 2200, the region will again have beautiful forests filled with all kinds of animals, unless there is another terrible eruption.

#### **1. Complete the sentences and tick True or False**

1. 1980 was the year ..... there was a nuclear explosion on Mount St Helens. ...T... ...F...
2. There were hundreds of people ..... were left without a home. ...T... ...F...
3. All the people ..... died were in dangerous areas. ...T... ...F...
4. Today, Mount St Helens is a place ..... there aren't any animals. ...T... ...F...

#### **2 Describe an event that happened for each date below.**

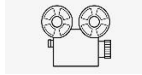
1. 15th March 1980 .....
2. March-May 1980 .....
3. 18th May 1980 .....

#### **3 Complete the sentences.**

1. The region of Mount St Helens used to have .....
2. From March to early May, people couldn't .....
3. Almost all the animals and fish in the region were killed, but .....

## Soluciones a las actividades de la semana anterior (October. 12)

### Validation (short film)



1. What famous people appear in the film?  
**(George Bush, Saddam Hussein)**
2. What is Hugh's secret?  
**(he just likes to see people smile)**
3. Who is Victoria?  
**(a photographer at the DMV - Department for Motor Vehicles)**
4. What does Hugh do to make her smile?  
**(buys her flowers, toys, give compliments etc.)**
5. When did Victoria last smile?  
**(when she was a little girl)**
6. What happens to Hugh when he can't make Victoria smile?  
**(he gets depressed, stops giving compliments and is fired)**
7. What job does Hugh get next?  
**(he becomes a photographer)**
8. What does the woman in the wheelchair love most in the whole world?  
**(her daughter)**
9. How does Hugh find out that Victoria has changed?  
**(while filling in a form at the dentist, he sees a man with a driver's license photo in which he's smiling)**
10. Where does Victoria do now?  
**(she works as a photographer taking passport photos)**
11. Why did Victoria mother forget how to smile?  
**(because she got very sick)**
12. What is the relationship with the woman in the wheelchair and Victoria?  
**(mother and daughter)**
13. What do Hugh and Victoria do next?  
**(they kiss and travel)**
14. Which city do they visit?  
**(Paris - you can see the Eiffel Tower)**