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Subject: Re: IDL in Espana

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Mon, 27 Nov 2006 01:20:25 GMT

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Guillermo writes:

- > Salamanca is indeed a very nice city, but am afraid that your plan of
- > only speaking Spanish is hardly feasible, not because of the natives,
- > who actually hardly speak English (only young people do) all over
- > Spain, but because your fellow students, who depending on your level
- > will be prone to shift to English when the conversation gets difficult.

I'm painfully aware of this tendency. But my son has convinced me that it IS possible to resist the temptation. He refused to speak anything but German while in Germany (even to me for a long while!) and it paid off as his group of American students were deemed the best German speakers ever in their program's history.

I realize that "Si, es muy frio" and "Donde esta de cuarto de bano?" is not the stuff of great intellectual conversation, but I have to start somewhere. :-)

Cheers,

David

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Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

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