

# Spanish learning made fun; new comedy tape is made

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**EL PASO** — Jane Fonda, roll over.  
 Now videotape buyers in Texas and across the country will be tempted by a new exercise: learning Spanish.  
 Ana Luisa Salas-Porras Walcutt — sometimes wearing dance gear but also variously garbed in a bathing suit, trench coat and long cigarette, hair curlers and an evening gown — is "the Spanish teacher you've been waiting for."

That's what the shiny red box says.  
 The videotape inside the box is the longest commercial videotape produced in El Paso, Walcutt said.  
 She and her partner, Cheryl Gordon, say the tape, called "Survival Spanish," is the result of nine months of hard labor.  
 The tape, the two expert Spanish teachers explained, is designed to teach "survival Spanish" quickly and easily. They claim 45 hours of typical classroom learning have been

crammed into 60 minutes on the tape.  
 The video lessons are designed to teach enough Spanish for a series of common situations: visiting the doctor, buying and selling, speaking on the telephone. The action is peppered with skits and jokes.  
 In her favorite scene, Walcutt perches on a diving board in a bathing suit, looking unhappy.  
 "No puedo, no puedo (I can't, I can't)," she wails.  
 The antics in the tape are meant to make the lessons easier and more effective for all ages.

Language Unlimited, are expecting success.  
 They have already lined up four distributors.  
 Language training in this country is 20 years behind the time, Gordon said.  
 The only tapes that exist already for learning Spanish are films of a lecture, "with a guy standing there with a pencil and book, saying, 'un lapiz, un libro,'" she said.  
 "Now there are fabulous things for children, up until the sixth grade. Then there's nothing," Walcutt said. "Everybody remembers language training as a horribly boring teacher and a horribly boring book and requirements to get rid of it in two years."

# De Lorean witness was possibly intimidated

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**LOS ANGELES** — New allegations of governmental misconduct surfaced Tuesday in the John De Lorean cocaine trafficking trial, with the defense accusing an FBI agent of trying to intimidate a witness for the former automaker.  
 Before the jury was brought in at the start of the trial's third week, defense lawyer Howard Weitzman revealed that FBI agent Jerry West sent a letter to Utah polygraph licensing authorities last November suggesting they investigate Dr. David Raskin's competency.  
 At the time, Raskin was a witness in a pre-trial hearing on contradictory polygraph

tests administered to De Lorean.  
 The ex-automaker passed one test Raskin gave him, but failed an FBI-administered test.  
 Ultimately, U.S. District Judge Robert Takasugi ruled that no polygraph evidence would be admitted during De Lorean's trial.  
 At the request of Weitzman, who said he first learned of West's actions from Raskin on Monday, Takasugi ordered the agent to take the witness stand.  
 Weitzman accused West of "attempting somehow to impair Dr. Raskin's credibility."  
 West denied the charge, insisting he merely contacted Utah officials after hearing

from Los Angeles police sources that a probe of Raskin, a University of Utah professor, was under way in that state.  
 The tip proved false, said, but authorities in Utah told him they had received complaints about Raskin's administration of some lie detector tests.  
 West said he then suggested Utah officials contact prosecutors in the De Lorean case if they wished to pursue a probe of Raskin.  
 Takasugi Tuesday ordered the government to turn over documents of any contact between Utah authorities and the prosecution regarding Raskin.



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# Brown found innocent in deaths of TDC official

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**EDINBURG** — Former convict Eroy Brown was found innocent Tuesday of charges that he killed Texas Department of Corrections farm manager Billy Max Moore.  
 A Hidalgo County jury deliberated about two hours before stating that it didn't believe the prosecution's main witness.  
 "Everybody said he had to be fighting for his life," jury foreman Hector de la Cruz said. "Everybody agreed it was self defense."  
 "I'm happy it's all over with," Brown said, adding that he would be going first to Houston and then home to Waco upon his release late Tuesday.  
 Brown, a trusty at the time of the slayings, was acquitted of the killing of TDC warden Wallace Pack in November 1982 in Galveston. His first trial in the

Pack killing ended in a hung jury.  
 Brown was serving a 12-year sentence for armed robbery at the time of the killings. He has completed that term but remained in jail pending resolution of the murder charges.  
 Sen. Craig Washington, D-Houston and Brown's attorney, told jurors Brown acted in self defense against two corrupt prison officials who threatened to kill the former inmate to keep him from revealing the theft of prison tires, butane and fertilizer.  
 Brown testified that he grabbed Pack's .38-caliber pistol while Moore was handcuffing him because the two prison officials threatened to take him to "the bottoms," a place where other inmates said prisoners were beaten and tortured.  
 Brown, 33, had entered the courtroom carrying a red Bible

and after the decision was made by District Judge Darrell H. Blazek, thanked spectators for their support.  
 Walker County District Attorney Frank Blazek said he thought the jury considered the evidence. He accepted the jury's verdict.  
 Blazek had exhibited prejudice against Moore's bloody corpse during his summation, and Brown "a paranoid, paranoid person" who killed two armed men and then tried to portray himself as "the mad dog."  
 Washington attacked Blazek's credibility of the state's eyewitness, inmate James Ward Solomon, saying that Moore lied to the jury to gain favor with prison officials. Washington noted that Moore was released from a prison term four years early after serving in Brown's first trial. Moore since has returned to prison on other charges.

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