



## GLOSSARY

**abdicate**—To give up a throne or other position of power.

**Cortes**—The parliament, or legislature, of Spain.

**coup**—An overthrow of a government by force.

**Criollo**—A person of Spanish descent born in Latin America.

**depression**—A period of decline in a country's economy, causing business failures and unemployment.

**émigré**—A person forced to leave his country for political reasons.

**exile**—A forced separation from one's country. A person who is forced to leave his own country and live in another.

**filibuster**—An irregular military operation, usually undertaken without approval of government.

**grito**—A shout or cry. A name for a political declaration or a call to action.



**guerrilla**—A member of a band of soldiers who operate outside of a military organization.

**junta**—A small group of people who take over a country after a revolution or overthrow of a government.

**liberal**—A person who favors progress or reform in politics.

**lyceum**—A lecture hall.

**manifesto**—A declaration of purposes or intentions.

**peninsular**—A person who is born in Spain but lives in Latin America.

**underground**—An organization or army that operates in secret.

**voluntario**—A member of a group attached to or working for the Spanish army or militia.

