

#	English	Translation	Definition
1.	ENT (Ear Nose Throat) <i>Syn.</i> Otorhinolaryngology	Oído, nariz y garganta <i>Sin. (fem.)</i> Otorrinolaringología (used more often in Spanish speaking countries)	A medical specialty that treats ear, nose, and throat problems.
2.	ENT doctor <i>Syn.</i> Otolaryngologist	(masc.) Otorrinolaringólogo	A physician who specializes in the disorders of the ear, nose, throat.
3.	Ear	(masc.) Oído	The sense organ for hearing and balance.
4.	Earlobe	(masc.) Lóbulo de la oreja	The soft, fleshy, pendulous lower part of the external ear.
5.	External ear <i>Syn.</i> Outer ear	(masc.) Oído externo	The outer portion of the ear, extending from the visible organ on the head to the ear drum.
6.	Ear canal	(masc.) Conducto auditivo	The tube-like passage through which sound enters the ear.
7.	Ear drum <i>Syn.</i> tympanic membrane	(masc.) Tímpano <i>Sin. (fem.)</i> Membrana timpánica	A thin membrane that separates the external ear from the middle ear. Its function is to transmit sound from the air to the bones inside the middle ear. Rupture or perforation of the eardrum can lead to hearing loss.
8.	Middle ear	(masc.) Oído medio	The middle ear is the space behind the eardrum.
9.	Inner ear	(masc.) Oído interno	The internal portion of the ear inside the skull involved in hearing and balance.
10.	Vestibular system	(masc.) Sistema vestibular (masc.) Aparato vestibular	The vestibular system detects motion of the head in space and in turn generates reflexes that help us maintain balance. It also provides us with our subjective sense of movement and orientation in space.
11.	Eustachian tube	(fem.) Trompa de Eustaquio <i>Sin. (fem.)</i> Tuba/trompa auditiva. (masc.) Tubo faringotimpánico	The tube that connects the middle ear with the back of the nose. Normally this tube lets fluid drain out of the middle ear.

12.	Ear wax	(fem.) Cerilla, cera, cerumen	A wax-like secretion from glands in the ear canal.
13.	Buildup	(fem.) Acumulación	A gradual accumulation or increase of something negative and typically leading to a problem.
14.	Q-tip	(masc.) Q-tip (masc.) Cotonete (marca reg.) Medical term. (masc.) Hisopo	A brand of cotton-tipped swab used especially for cleansing a small area or for applying medications.
15.	Ear discharge <i>Syn. Otorrhea</i>	(fem.) Secreción del oído <i>Sin. (fem.) Otorrea</i> (fem.) Supuración del oído	Fluid that drains from the ear canal.
16.	Otoscope	(masc.) Otoscopio	Instrument for examining the ear canal.
17.	Earache	(masc.) Dolor de oído	Sensation of pain centered in the ear canal.
18.	Swimmer's ear <i>Syn. Otitis externa</i>	Otitis del nadador <i>Sin. (fem.) Otitis externa</i>	A condition that occurs when water is trapped in the ear canal, leading to an infection in the outer ear and ear canal.
19.	Otitis media with effusion	Otitis media exudativa <i>Sin. (fem.) Otitis media con efusión</i> Otitis media serosa	A condition which occurs when there is fluid (effusion) in the middle ear. Fluid in the middle ear usually doesn't bother children. It almost always goes away on its own in a few weeks to a few months. So, this kind of ear problem doesn't usually need to be treated with antibiotics, unless the fluid doesn't go away.
20.	Ruptured eardrum <i>Syn. Perforated eardrum</i>	Ruptura del timpano <i>Sin. (masc.) Tímpano perforado</i>	A condition resulting in an opening or hole in the eardrum. Damage to the eardrum may harm hearing.
21.	Mastoid bone	Hueso mastoideo	A large bone at the base of the skull behind the ear, containing air spaces that connect with the middle ear cavity.
22.	Mastoiditis	Mastoiditis	An infection of the bone behind the ear. It is usually caused by a middle ear infection (acute otitis media). The infection may spread from the ear to the mastoid bone of the skull. The mastoid bone fills with infected materials and its honeycomb-like structure may deteriorate.
23.	Ear barotrauma	Barotrauma del oído <i>Sin. (masc.) Barotrauma</i> <i>(fem.) Barotitis media</i>	Medical problems that arise from the pressure differences between ears and the environment (water, air) and is a particular concern for scuba divers. It may also happen during an airplane flight.
24.	External ear squeeze	Barotitis externa <i>Sin. (fem.) aerotitis externa</i>	A type of barotrauma, which occurs when your ear canal is blocked by something such as earwax. As the water pressure increases while you descend, the air pocket between the obstruction and the eardrum shrinks. This can damage the tissue in the ear canal,



			usually your eardrum.
25.	Middle ear squeeze	Barotitis media <i>Sin. (fem.) aerotitis media</i>	A type of barotrauma, which occurs when you cannot equalize the pressure in your middle ear.
26.	Vestibular disorder	Trastorno vestibular	A dysfunction of the balance organs of the inner ear
27.	Dizziness	Mareo	A sensation of lightheadedness, faintness, or unsteadiness. It can be a primary sign of a vestibular disorder in addition to a broad array of cardiovascular, neurological, metabolic, vision, and psychological problems.
28.	Vertigo	Vértigo	A rotational, spinning sensation. An extreme feeling of the surrounding area spinning or moving.
29.	Disequilibrium	Falta de equilibrio	A feeling of unsteadiness, imbalance, or loss of equilibrium that is often accompanied by spatial disorientation.
30.	Labyrinthitis	Laberintitis	An ear disorder that involves irritation and swelling (inflammation) of the inner ear.
31.	Meniere's disease	Enfermedad de Meniere <i>Sin. (masc.) mal de Meniere</i>	An inner ear disorder that affects balance and hearing.
32.	Ringling in the Ears <i>(colloq.)</i> <i>Syn. Tinnitus</i>	Zumbido en el oído <i>Sin Tinnitus</i>	"Hearing" noises in your ears when there is no outside source of the sounds. The noises you hear can be soft or loud. They may sound like ringing, blowing, roaring, buzzing, hissing, humming, whistling, or sizzling.
33.	Acoustic neuroma	Neuroma acústico	A noncancerous growth or tumor on the auditory nerve near the inner ear. The auditory nerve carries sound impulses from the ear to the brain. An acoustic neuroma grows slowly and can cause hearing loss in the affected ear. Although the growth is not cancerous, it can press on other nerves or brain tissues as it grows.
34.	To pull on the ear <i>Syn. To tug at the ear</i>	Halando/Jalando del oído	To hold onto the ear and move it towards yourself or down.
35.	A stuffy or plugged-up feeling in the ear	Oído tapado <i>Sin. Oído tupido</i>	A feeling in the ear as if something obstructs it.
36.	Muffled hearing	Audición apagada Audición distorsionada	Hearing sounds not at their actual volume but as if being obstructed in some way; muted.



37.	Ear drops	Gotas para los oídos	Liquid medicine designed to be dripped into the ear canal.
38.	Otologic surgery	Cirugía otológica	Surgery performed on the external, middle or internal ear.
39.	Ear tubes <i>Syn. Tympanostomy tubes</i>	Tubos en los oídos <i>Sin.</i> Tubos de timpanostomía	Tiny plastic tubes that help drain the fluid from the middle ear, and balance the pressure in a child's ears. They allow air into the middle ear so that fluid can drain out down the eustachian tube. They're put into the eardrum during surgery and stay in place for an average of 6 to 9 months. The tubes are usually left in place until they fall out on their own or your doctor decides your child no longer needs them.
40.	Hearing test <i>Syn. Audiometric test</i>	Prueba de audición <i>Sin.</i> Audiometría	Part of an ear examination that evaluates a person's ability to hear by measuring the ability of sound to reach the brain. The test is often performed using an audiometer.
41.	Audiometer	Audiómetro	A device used to determine a person's hearing sensitivity at different frequencies.
42.	Audiologist	Audiólogo	Hearing specialists who are trained to identify, diagnose, measure, and treat hearing disorders or balance problems.
43.	Hearing loss	Pérdida de audición <i>Sin.</i> Sordera	The inability to hear sound either partly or totally in one or both ears.
44.	Hard of hearing (adj) <i>Syn. Hearing-impaired</i>	Hipoacúsico <i>Sin.</i> Con deficiencias auditivas	A term applied to persons whose hearing is impaired but who have enough hearing left for practical use; having reduced or deficient hearing ability;
45.	Deaf	Sordo	Partially or wholly lacking or deprived of the sense of hearing; unable to hear.
46.	Hearing aid	Aparato auditivo Auxiliar auditivo <i>Sin.</i> Aparato para los oídos	A small device that fits in or on the ear, worn by a hard of hearing person to amplify sound.
47.	Completely-in-the-canal hearing aid	Aparato auditivo completamente en el canal <i>Sin.</i> Aparato auditivo intracanal Aparato auditivo completamente dentro del oído	A device that is molded to fit inside your ear canal and can improve mild to moderate hearing loss in adults.
48.	In-the-ear hearing aid <i>Syn. Full-shell</i>	Aparato auditivo de concha completa	A custom made device that fills most of the bowl-shaped area of your outer ear. This style is helpful for people with mild to severe hearing loss.



49.	Behind-the-ear hearing aid	Aparato auditivo retroauricular <i>Sin. Curveta</i> Aparato auditivo detrás de la oreja	A device that hooks over the top of your ear and rests behind the ear. The hearing aid picks up sound, amplifies it and carries the amplified sound to an ear mold that fits inside your ear canal. This style is appropriate for almost all types of hearing loss and for people of all ages.
50.	Open-fit hearing aid	Aparato auditivo de adaptación abierta	Usually a very small behind-the-ear-style device that leaves the ear canal open. Sound travels from the instrument through a small tube or wire to a tiny dome or speaker in the ear canal. This style is best for mild to moderate high-frequency losses where low-frequency hearing is still normal or near normal.
51.	Ear plug	Tapón para los oídos	An object made of a soft, pliable material, such as foam or rubber, and fitted into the ear canal to block the entry of water or loud noise.
52.	Earmuffs	Orejas	A type of personal protective equipment that covers the entire outer ear, consisting of two ear coverings connected by a band and worn over the ears to protect them from noise or cold.

