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A, a f A, a; ~ **de Antonio** A for Andrew *Brit*, A for Abel *Am*

a *prep* 1. (*dirección*) to; **ir** ~ **Barcelona/Suiza** to go to Barcelona/Switzerland; **llegar** ~ **Madrid** to arrive in Madrid; **ir** ~ **casa de alguien** to go to sb's house; **ir** ~ **la escuela** ~ **1 cine** to go to school/to the cinema 2. (*posición*) at; **estar sentado** ~ **la mesa** to be sitting at the table; **esperar** ~ **la puerta de la casa** to wait at the front door; ~ **la derecha** on the right; ~ **1 sur (de)** to the south (of); ~ **1 sol** in the sun 3. (*distancia*) ~ **10 kilómetros de aquí** 10 kilometres (away) from here 4. (*tiempo*) at; (*hasta*) until; ~ **las tres** at three o'clock; ~ **mediodía** at noon; ~ **los veinte años** at (the age of) twenty; ~ **1 poco rato** shortly after; **i** ~ **cuántos estamos?** what's the date? 5. (*modo*) ~ **pie** on foot; **ir** ~ **pie** to walk; ~ **mano** by hand; ~ **oscuras** in the dark; **tortilla a la española** Spanish omelette 6. (*precio*) **i** ~ **cómo está?** how much is it?; ~ **2 euros el kilo** (at) 2 euros a [o per] kilo 7. (*relación*) **el partido terminó dos ~ dos** the game ended two all 8. (*complemento indirecto*) to; **dio su fortuna ~ los pobres** he/she gave his/her fortune to the poor 9. (*complemento directo*) **he visto ~ tu hermano** I've seen your brother 10. (*con infinitivo*) to; **empezó ~ correr** he/she began to run 11. (*complemento de verbo*) **oler ~ gas** to smell of gas; **jugar ~ los dados** to play dice ► **i** ~ **qué llueve mañana!** I bet it'll rain tomorrow!; ~ **Pedro le gusta mucho nadar**; **i** ~ **qué sí, Pedro?** Pedro likes swimming a lot; don't you, Pedro?

abacado *m* *Aml* BOT (*aguacate*) avocado, alligator pear *Am*

abacorar *vt* *Aml* (*acosar*) to hound

abad(esa) *m(f)* abbot *m*, abbess *f*

abadía *f* abbey

abajero, -a *adj* *Aml* coastal

abajo *adv* 1. (*movimiento*) down; **calle** ~ down the street; **cuesta** ~ downhill; **de arriba** ~ from top to bottom 2. (*estado*) down (below); (*en casa*) downstairs; **boca** ~ face down; **hacia** ~ down, downwards; **el** ~ **firmante** the undersigned; **de veinte para** ~ twenty or under; **véase más** ~ see below **II. interj** **i** ~ **el dictador!** down with the dictator!

abalanarse <Z→C> *vr* ~ **a la ventana** to dash (over) to the window; ~ **sobre [o contra] algo** to pounce on sth

abalea *vt* *Col* (*disparar*) to shoot

abanderado, -a *m, f* 1. (*en actos públicos*) standard-bearer 2. (*pionero*) champion

abandonado, -a *adj* *ser* (*descuidado*) neglected; (*desaseado*) slovenly

abandonar *I. vi* DEP to withdraw **II. vt** 1. (*dejar*) to leave; (*desamparar*) to abandon;

niño abandonado abandoned baby; **le** ~ **on sus fuerzas** his/her strength deserted him/her; **estar abandonado a sí mismo** to be left to one's own devices 2. (*renunciar*) to give up 3. *INFOR* (*interrumpir*) to leave **III. vr:** ~ **se 1. (entregarse)** to give oneself over 2. (*ir desaliñado*) to let oneself go

abandono *m* 1. (*abandonamiento*) abandonment; ~ **de servicio** giving-up work; ~ **de la víctima** denial of assistance 2. (*renuncia*) renunciation; (*de una empresa, idea*) giving-up 3. (*descuido*) neglect; **en un momento** de ~ in a moment of weakness

abanicar <C→qu> *I. vt* to fan **II. vr:** ~ **se** to fan oneself

abanico *m* fan; **en (forma de)** ~ fan-shaped; **un ~ de posibilidades** a range of possibilities

abaratar *I. vt* (*bienes*) to make cheaper; (*precios*) to lower; ~ **costes** to cut costs **II. vr:** ~ **se** to become cheaper

abarca *f* sandal

abarcar <C→qu> *vt* 1. (*comprender*) to include; ~ **con la vista** to take in; ~ **muchas cosas a la vez** to have one's work cut out 2. (*contener*) to contain ► **quien mucho abarca poco aprieta** *prov* don't bite off more than you can chew

abarquillarse *vr* (*papel*) to crinkle; (*madera*) to warp

abarrotado *adj* completely full; ~ **de gente** crowded

abarrotar *vt* ~ **algo de algo** to pack sth with sth

abarrote *m* 1. *NÁUT* stop-gap 2. *Cuba, Méx* (*tienda*) grocery store 3. *pl, Cuba, Méx* (*comestibles*) groceries *pl*

abarrotería *f* 1. *Aml* (*ferretería*) ironmonger's *Brit*, hardware store *Am* 2. *Guat* (*abacería*) retail grocery

abastecedor(a) *m(f)* supplier

abastecer *irr como crecer* **I. vt** (*proveer*) ~ **de [o con] algo** to provide with sth; **COM** to supply with sth **II. vr:** ~ **se de [o con] algo** to provide oneself with sth

abastecimiento *m* 1. (*provisión*) ~ **de [o con] algo** provision of sth; ~ **de aguas** water supply 2. **COM** ~ **de [o con] algo** supply of sth **abastero** *m* 1. *Chile* (*de carne*) wholesale livestock dealer 2. *Méx* (*de artículos de consumo*) purveyor

abasto *m* 1. (*abastecimiento*) supply 2. (*provisiones*) provisions **pl** ► **no dar ~ con algo** to be unable to cope with sth

abatí *m* *sin pl* 1. *Arg* (*maíz*) maize *Brit*, corn *Am* 2. *Arg, Par* (*bebida*) maize liquor

abatible *adj* asiento ~ folding seat

abatido, -a *adj* 1. (*desanimado*) dejected 2. (*mercancía*) depreciated

abatimiento *m* 1. (*desánimo*) dejection 2. (*derribo*) demolition 3. (*desmontaje*) dismantling

abatir *I. vt* 1. (*muro, casa*) to demolish; (*árbol*) to fell, to chop down *Am*; (*velas*) to

lower; (*avión*) to shoot down; ~ **el respaldo** to recline the back-rest **2.** (*desmontar*) to dismantle **3.** (*humillar*) to humiliate **4.** (*debilitar*) to lay low **II. vr:** ~**se** **1.** (*desanimarse*) to become dejected **2.** (*precipitarse*) ~**se sobre algo** to pounce on sth **3.** (*ceder*) to yield

abdicación *f* abdication; ~ **al trono** abdication from the throne

abdicar <c→qu> *vt* **1.** (*monarca*) to abdicate; **la reina abdicó la corona en su hija** the queen abdicated in favour of her daughter; ~ **la presidencia** to resign the presidency **2.** (*ideales*) to renounce

abdomen *m* abdomen

abdominal **I.** *adj* abdominal **II.** *m* DEP press-up *Brit*, sit-up *Am*

abecé *m* ABC, alphabet; **el ~ de la matemática** the fundamentals of mathematics ▶ **no saber el ~** not to have a clue; **ser el ~ de algo** to be the basis of sth

abecedario *m* alphabet

abedul *m* (*madera, árbol*) birch

abeja *f* bee; ~ **reina** queen bee; ~ **obrero** worker (bee) ▶ **estar como ~ en flor** to be in top form; **ser como una ~** to be a hard worker

abejón *m* drone

abejorro *m* **1.** (*insecto*) bumblebee **2.** (*escarabajo*) cockchafer ▶ **ser un ~** to be a pain (in the neck)

aberración *f* **1.** (*desviación*) aberration; ~ **mental** mental aberration **2.** (*disparate*) absurdity **3.** *AmL* (*error*) mistake

aberrante *adj* **1.** (*anormal*) aberrant **2.** (*disparatado*) crazy

abertura *f* **1.** (*acción*) opening **2.** (*hueco*) hole **3.** (*franqueza*) openness

abeto *m* fir; ~ **rojo** spruce

abiertamente *adv* **1.** (*francamente*) openly **2.** (*patentemente*) clearly

abierto *m* DEP ~ **de tenis** tennis open championship

abierto, -a **I.** *pp* de *abrir* **II.** *adj* **1.** (*no cerrado*) open; ~ **a nuevas ideas** open to new ideas; **en campo** ~ in the open country; **un libro** ~ an open book **2.** (*persona*) open-minded; **la gente aquí es muy abierta** people here are very open-minded

abigarrado, -a *adj* many-coloured *Brit*, many-colored *Am*

abismado, -a *adj* **1.** (*absorto*) engrossed **2.** (*sorprendido*) amazed

abismal *adj* enormous; (*odio*) profound

abismar **I.** *vt* **1.** (*sumir*) to cast down; ~ **a alguien en la desesperación** to plunge sb into despair **2.** (*confundir*) to confuse **II. vr:** ~**se** **1.** (*hundirse*) to sink **2.** *AmL* (*asombrarse*) to be amazed

abismo *m* **1.** *GEO* abyss **2.** (*infierno*) hell **3.** (*diferencia*) chasm; **entre tus opiniones y las mías hay un ~** there's a world of difference between our opinions

abjurar *vi, vt* ~ (**de**) **algo** to renounce sth

ablandar **I.** *vi* (*viento*) to drop; (*frío*) to

become less severe **II. vt** **1.** (*poner blando*) to soften **2.** (*calmar*) to soothe **III. vr:** ~**se** **1.** (*ponerse blando*) to soften **2.** (*persona*) to relent

abnegación *f* self-denial; **con ~** selflessly

abnegado, -a *adj* selfless

abogado, -a *adj* silly

abocado, -a *adj* (*vino*) smooth

abocar <c→qu> **I.** *vt* (*líquido*) to pour **II. vr:** ~**se** (*reunirse*) to meet up

abocetar *vt* to sketch

abochornar **I.** *vt* **1.** (*calor*) to oppress; **este calor me abochorna** I'm suffocated by this heat; **estoy abochornado** I'm stifled **2.** (*avergonzar*) to embarrass **II. vr:** ~**se** **1.** (*avergonzarse*) ~**se de [o por] algo** to be embarrassed by sth **2.** (*plantas*) to wilt

abofetear *vt* to slap

abogacía *f* legal profession; **ejercer la ~** to practise *Brit* [o practice *Am*] law

abogado, -a *m, f* **1.** *JUR* lawyer; (*notario*) solicitor *Brit*, lawyer *Am*; (*en tribunal*) barrister, attorney *Am*; ~ **defensor** defending counsel, defense lawyer; ~ **divorcista** divorce lawyer; ~ **de oficio** court-appointed counsel, duty solicitor **2.** (*defensor*) advocate ▶ **ser un ~ de las causas perdidas** to be a champion of lost causes

abogar <g→gu> *vi* (*apoyar*) ~ **por [o en favor de] algo** to advocate sth

abolengo *m* ancestry; **de rancio** ~ of noble descent

abolición *f* abolition

abolir *irr vt* to abolish

abolladura *f* dent

abollar *vt* to dent

abolsarse *vr* **1.** (*tela*) to become baggy **2.** (*deformarse*) to become deformed; (*pared*) to bulge

abombado, -a *adj* **1.** (*combado*) bulging **2.** *AmS* (*atontado*) dopey

abombar **I.** *vt* to make convex **II. vr:** ~**se** **1.** (*abultarse*) to bulge **2.** *CSur, Ecu, Nic* (*alimentos*) to go bad

abominable *adj* abominable

abominación *f* abomination

abominar *vt, vi* **1.** (*aborrecer*) to loathe **2.** (*renegar*) ~ **de alguien** to condemn sb

abonable *adj* **1.** (*cantidad*) payable **2.** (*letra de cambio*) due

abonado, -a *m, f* (*a revistas, espectáculo, al teléfono*) subscriber; (*a electricidad, gas*) customer

abonar **I.** *vt* **1.** (*garantizar*) to guarantee **2.** (*pagar*) to pay; ~ **en cuenta** to credit to an account; **para ~ en cuenta** A/C payee only **3.** (*terreno*) to fertilize **4.** *PREN* to subscribe to; ~ **a alguien a una revista** (*convencer*) to persuade sb to take out a subscription to a magazine; (*como regalo*) to take out a subscription to a magazine for sb **II. vr:** ~**se** to subscribe; ~**se a la temporada de ópera** to buy a season ticket to the opera

abono *m* 1. TEAT season ticket; **sacar un** ~ to buy a season ticket 2. PREN subscription 3. (*para transporte público*) season ticket; ~ **mensual** monthly ticket; ~ **de 10 viajes** 10-journey ticket 4. (*pago*) payment; ~ **en cuenta** credit 5. (*fertilizante*) fertilizer; manure; ~ **químico** chemical fertilizer 6. (*de la tierra*) fertilizing

abordable *adj* 1. (*persona*) approachable 2. (*tema*) that can be discussed; **no** ~ taboo

abordaje *m* boarding; **tomar al** ~ to board

abordar I. *vt* 1. (*barco*) to board (*in attack*); (*chocar*) to ram 2. (*persona*) to approach 3. (*tema*) to discuss; (*problema*) to tackle II. *vi* NAÚT to dock

aborigen I. *adj* aboriginal II. *mf* aborigine

aborrecer *irr* como *crecer* *vt* 1. (*sentir aversión*) to loathe; ~ **a alguien de muerte** not to be able to abide sb 2. (*exasperar*) to infuriate 3. (*aburrir*) to bore

aborrecible *adj* detestable; (*persona*) loathsome

aborrecimiento *m* 1. (*aversión*) loathing 2. (*antipatía*) dislike

abortar I. *vi* 1. (*provocado*) to have an abortion 2. (*espontáneo*) to have a miscarriage 3. (*fracasar*) to fail II. *vt* (*provocar un aborto*) to abort; (*hacer fracasar*) to cause to fail

aborto *m* 1. (*provocado*) abortion 2. (*espontáneo*) miscarriage

abota(r)gado, -a *adj* bloated

abota(r)garse <g→gu> *vr* to become bloated

abotonar *vt* to button up

abovedar *vt* 1. (*formar*) to vault 2. (*cubrir*) to cover (with a vault)

abra *f* 1. (*bahía pequeña*) cove 2. *AmL* (*desmonte*) clearing

abrasador(a) *adj* (*calor*) scorching

abrasar I. *vi* (*sol*) to scorch; (*comida*) to be burning hot II. *vt* 1. (*quemar*) to burn; (*ácidos*) to corrode; ¡**cuidado!**, **este café abrasa la lengua** take care not to burn your tongue on the coffee! 2. (*plantas*) to dry up 3. (*dolor*) to sear; (*estómago*) to irritate; **la sed me abrasa (la garganta)** I have a raging thirst 4. (*odio*) to consume III. *vr*: ~**se** 1. (*quemarse*) to burn (up) 2. (*morirse*) *t. fig* -**se en deseos de algo** to be desperate for sth; ~**se de impaciencia por algo** to be desperately impatient to do sth

abrasión *f* 1. GEO, TÉC abrasion 2. MED graze

abrasivo *m* abrasive

abrasivo, -a *adj* abrasive; **líquido** ~ abrasive liquid

abrazadera *f* 1. TIPO bracket 2. TÉC clamp

abrazar <z→c> I. *vt* 1. (*persona*) to embrace

2. (*contener*) to include; (*abarcar*) to take in 3. (*doctrina*) to embrace; (*religión*) to adopt II. *vr*: ~**se** to embrace (each other)

abrazo *m* embrace; **dar un** ~ **a alguien** to give sb a hug; **un (fuerte)** ~ (*en cartas*) with best wishes

abreboca *m* 1. *inf* (*aperitivo*) appetizer 2. *Arg* (*persona distraída*) absent-minded person

abrebotellas *m inv* bottle opener

abrecartas *m inv* letter opener

abrelatas *m inv* tin opener, can opener *Am*

abrevadero *m* 1. (*pila*) water trough 2. (*lugar*) watering place

abrevar *vt* (*ganado*) to water

abreviación *f* 1. (*abreviatura*) *t. LING* abbreviation 2. (*de un texto*) abridgement

abreviado, -a *adj* abridged; (*corto*) short

abreviar I. *vt* 1. (*acortar*) to shorten 2. (*palabras*) to abbreviate 3. (*texto*) to abridge II. *vi* to hurry

abreviatura *f* abbreviation

abridor *m* opener

abrigado, -a *adj* (*con ropa*) **estar** [o *ir*] ~ to be wrapped up warm

abrigar <g→gu> I. *vt* 1. (*proteger: del viento, frío*) to protect 2. (*cubrir*) to cover 3. (*tener*) to hold; ~ **esperanzas** to cherish hopes; ~ **proyectos** to harbour *Brit* [o harbor *Am*] plans II. *vr*: ~**se** to wrap up (warm)

abrigo *m* 1. (*prenda*) coat; ~ **de pieles** fur coat; **de** ~ warm 2. (*refugio*) shelter; **al** ~ **de** protected by ▶**ser de** ~ to be tough

abril *m* April; *vt. marzo* ▶**tener trece** ~**es inf** to be thirteen (years old)

abrilantado, -a *adj* 1. *AmL* (*brillante*) shining 2. *Arg* *fruta abrilantada* glazed fruit

abrilantar *vt* 1. (*hacer brillar*) to polish 2. (*piedras preciosas*) to cut and polish

abrir *irr* I. *vt* 1. (*algo cerrado*) to open; (*paraguas*) to put up; (*grifo*) to turn on; (*con la llave*) to unlock; (*luz*) to turn on; (*silla plegable*) to open out; ~ **la cabeza a alguien** to split sb's head open; ~ **una calle al tráfico** to open a street to traffic; ~ **a golpes** to knock open; ~ **de par en par** to open wide; **a medio** ~ (*puerta*) half-open 2. (*canal, túnel*) to dig; (*agujero*) to bore 3. (*perspectivas, mercado*) to open up 4. (*comenza; inaugurar*) to open; (*curso*) to begin 5. (*ir en cabeza*) to lead II. *vi* (*tiempo*) to brighten up ▶**en un** ~ **y cerrar de ojos** in the twinkling of an eye III. *vr*: ~**se**

1. (*puerta, herida*) to open; **la ventana se abre al jardín** the window opens (out) onto the garden 2. (*confiar*) to confide 3. (*perspectivas*) to open up 4. *inf* (*irse*) to beat it

abrochar *vt* (*con broches*) to fasten; (*con hebillas*) to buckle; (*con botones*) to button

abrochense los cinturones (de seguridad) fasten your seat belts

abrogar <g→gu> *vt* to abrogate

abrojo *m* 1. BIO thistle 2. *Ven* (*urticaria*) rash

abroncar <c→qu> *vt inf* 1. (*echar una bronca*) to tick off, to tell off *Am* 2. (*abuchear*) to boo

abrumador(a) *adj* 1. (*agobiador*) overwhelming 2. (*apabullante*) crushing

abrumar *vt* 1. (*agobiar*) to overwhelm 2. (*con trabajo, elogios*) to wear out

abrupto, -a *adj* 1. (*camino, abismo*) steep 2. (*carácter*) abrupt

absceso *m* abscess

absentismo *m* absenteeism; ~ **laboral** absenteeism from work

ábside *m* ARQUIT apse

absolución *f* 1. JUR acquittal; ~ **por falta de pruebas** acquittal owing to lack of evidence 2. REL absolution; **dar la ~ a alguien** to give absolution to sb

absolutamente *adv* (*completamente*) absolutely, completely; **está ~ de acuerdo con nosotros** he/she completely agrees with us; ~ **nada** nothing at all; **es ~ posible** it's quite possible

absoluto, **-a** *adj* absolute ▶ **nada en ~** nothing at all; **en ~** not at all

absolver *irr como volver vt* 1. JUR to acquit 2. REL to absolve

absorbente *adj* 1. (*esponja, trapo*) absorbent 2. (*película, libro*) absorbing; (*trabajo, persona*) demanding

absorber *vt* 1. (*tierra, esponja*) *t. fis* to absorb 2. (*aspiradora*) to suck (up) 3. (*cautivar*) to engross 4. (*incorporar*) to incorporate; (*empresa*) to take over

absorción *f* 1. (*de líquidos*) *t. fis* absorption 2. ECON takeover

asorto, **-a** *adj* 1. (*psmado*) amazed 2. (*entregado*) absorbed

abstemio, **-a** I. *adj* abstemious; (*completamente*) teetotal II. *m, f* teetotaler *Brit*, teetotaler *Am*, non-drinker *Am*

abstención *ft. POL* abstention

abstenerse *irr como tener vr* (*privarse de*) *t. POL* to abstain; ~ **de votar** to abstain; ~ **del tabaco** to refrain from smoking; **rogamos que se abstengan de realizar visitas** we request you to refrain from visiting

abstinencia *f* abstinence; (*de alcohol*) abstemiousness; (*completa*) teetotalism; ~ **de consumo** cutting down on consumption; **síndrome de ~** withdrawal symptoms

abstinente *adj* abstinent; (*de alcohol*) abstemious; (*completamente*) teetotal

abstracción *f* abstraction

abstracto, **-a** *adj* abstract; **en ~** in the abstract

abstraer *irr como traer I. vt* to abstract II. *vr ~se en algo* to be absorbed in sth; ~ **se de algo** to detach oneself from sth; **consiguió ~se de los gritos en la calle** he/she managed not to be distracted by the shouting in the street

abstraído, **-a** *adj* lost in thought; **estar ~ en algo** to be preoccupied by sth

abstruso, **-a** *adj form* abstruse

absurdo *m* absurdity; **reducir algo al ~** to reduce sth to absurdity [*o absurdum*]

absurdo, **-a** *adj* absurd

abubilla *f* hoopoe

abuchear *vt* to boo; (*silbando*) to hiss

abucheo *m* boosing; (*silbidos*) hissing

abuelo, **-a** *m, f* 1. grandfather *m*, grandmother *f*; **los ~s** the grandparents 2. *fig* elderly person ▶ **éramos pocos y parió la abuela** *inf*

that was all we needed

abulense I. *adj* of/from Avila II. *mf* native/inhabitant of Avila

abulia *f* apathy

abúlico, **-a** *adj* weak-willed

abultado, **-a** *adj* bulky; (*labios*) thick

abultar I. *vi* to take up a lot of room II. *vt* 1. (*augmentar*) to increase 2. (*exagerar*) to exaggerate

abundancia *f* (*cantidad*) abundance; (*de bienes*) plenty; **en ~** in abundance; **nadar en la ~** to be rolling in money; **vivir en la ~** to be affluent

abundante *adj* abundant; ~ **en algo** abounding in sth; ~ **s lluvias** heavy rains; **una cosecha muy ~** a plentiful harvest

abundar *vi* to abound; ~ **en algo** to be rich in sth

aburrido, **-a** *adj* 1. *estar* (*harto*) bored; **estar ~ de algo** to be bored of [*o with Am*] sth; **tus chistes me tienen ~** I'm tired of your jokes 2. *ser* (*pesado*) boring

aburrimiento *m* 1. (*tedio*) boredom 2. (*fastidio*) bore

aburrir I. *vt* 1. (*hastiar*) to bore 2. (*fastidiar*) to weary II. *vr*: ~ **se** to be [*o become*] bored; ~ **se de algo** to become bored of sth, to tire of sth *Am*

abusar *vi* 1. (*usar indebidamente*) ~ **de algo** to misuse sth; ~ **de su salud** to abuse one's health 2. (*aproverse*) ~ **de alguien** to take advantage of sb 3. (*sexualmente*) ~ **de alguien** to sexually abuse sb; (*violar*) to rape sb

abusivo, **-a** *adj* improper; (*precios*) outrageous

abuso *m* 1. (*de poder*) misuse; ~ **de autoridad** abuse of authority; ~ **deshonesto** indecent assault 2. (*cosa abusiva*) **este precio es un ~** this is an outrageous price

abyección *f* wretchedness

abyecto, **-a** *adj* wretched

a.C. *abr de antes de Cristo* AD

a/c 1. *abr de a cuenta* on account 2. *abr de al cuidado de c/o*

acá *adv* here; ~ **y allá** here and there; **para ~** over here; **¡ven ~!** come here!

acabado *m* TFC finish

acabado, **-a** *adj* 1. (*completo*) finished 2. (*salud*) ruined 3. (*sin posibilidades*) finished off

acabar I. *vi* 1. (*terminar*) to end; ~ **bien/mal** to turn out well/badly; ~ **en punta** to end in a point 2. (*una acción*) ~ **de hacer algo** to have just done sth; **ella acaba de llegar** she's just arrived; **el libro acaba de publicarse** the book has just been published 3. (*destruir, agotar*) ~ **con algo** to finish sth off; ~ **con alguien** to put paid to sb; **este niño ~á conmigo** this child will be the death of me 4. (*finalmente*) ~ **ás por comprenderlo** you'll understand it in the end; ~ **ás por volverme loco** you'll end up driving me mad II. *vt* 1. (*terminar*) to finish 2. (*consumir*) to finish off; ~ **todas las ga-**

lletas to eat up all the biscuits **III. vr:** ~se to come to an end; **la mantequilla se ha acabado** there's no butter left; **todo se acabó** it's all over; **¡se acabó!** and that's that!

acabóse *m inf*; **¡esto es el ~!** that really is the limit!

acacia *f* acacia

academia *f* 1. (*corporación*) academy 2. (*colegio*) (private) school; ~ **militar** military academy

académico, -a *adj* academic

acaecer *irr como crecer vi* to happen

acacimiento *m* happening, occurrence

acahual *m Méx (girasol)* sunflower

acalambrarse *vr* *AmL* to get a cramp; **se le acalabró una pierna** he/she got a cramp in his/her leg

acallar *vt* 1. (*hacer callar*) to silence 2. (*apaciguar*) to pacify; (*conciencia*) to assuage; (*hambre*) to satisfy

acalorado, -a *adj* heated

acalorar *I. vt* 1. (*dar calor*) to heat 2. (*enfadar*) to inflame **II. vr:** ~se 1. (*sofocarse*) **se acaloró al correr** he/she got hot (while) running 2. (*apasionarse*) ~se con algo to get worked up over sth 3. (*enfadarse*) ~se por algo to get angry about sth; **se acalora por nada** he/she gets all het up about nothing *inf*

acampar *vi* to camp; (*tropa*) to encamp

acanal *vt* 1. (*hacer canales*) to furrow 2. *TÉC* to groove

acantilado *m* cliff

acantilado, -a *adj* steep

acaparar *vt* 1. (*objetos*) to hoard 2. (*apoderarse*) ~se de algo to lay claim to sth; ~ todas las miradas to captivate everyone's attention

acaparillar *vt* *Méx (atrapar)* to seize

acaramelar *I. vt* to coat with caramel **II. vr:** ~se (*novios*) to be all over each other

acariciar *vt* 1. (*persona, animal*) to caress 2. (*idea, plan*) to toy with

acarrear *vt* 1. (*transportar*) to transport 2. (*ocasionar*) to cause

acarreo *m* 1. (*transporte*) transport 2. (*importe*) haulage

acartonado, -a *adj* 1. (*persona*) wizened 2. (*cutis*) shrivelled *Brit*, shriveled *Am*

acartonarse *vr* 1. (*tela*) to become stiff 2. (*persona*) to become wizened 3. (*cutis*) to shrivel up

acaso *I. m* chance; **el ~ hizo que ... + subj** as chance would have it... **II. adv** maybe; **¿está ~ enfermo?** is he/she ill by any chance? ▶ **por si** ~ (*en caso de*) in case; (*en todo caso*) just in case

acatamiento *m* 1. (*respeto*) respect 2. (*de las leyes*) ~ de algo compliance with sth

acatar *vt* 1. (*respetar*) to respect 2. (*obedecer*) to obey 3. *Col, Guat, PRico* (*caer en cuenta*) to realize

acatarrarse *vr* to catch a cold

acaudalado, -a *adj* well-off

acaudalar *vt* to acquire

acaudillar *vt* to lead

acceder *vi* 1. (*consentir*) to agree; ~ a una petición to agree to a request 2. (*tener acceso*) to gain access 3. (*ascender*) to accede; ~ a la presidencia to assume the presidency; ~ a un cargo to fill an office; ~ al trono to succeed to the throne

accesible *adj* 1. (*persona*) approachable 2. (*lugar*) accessible 3. (*precios*) affordable 4. (*explicación*) comprehensible

accésit *m inv* consolation [*o* second *Am*] prize

acceso *m* 1. (*a pie, en vehículo*) access; **de fácil** ~ (easily) accessible; **libre** ~ free access 2. (*ataque*) attack 3. *INFOR* access

accesorio *m* 1. (*de vestidos*) accessory 2. (*utensilio*) implement 3. *pl* (*de máquinas*) spare parts *pl*

accesorio, -a *adj* accessory

accidentado, -a *I. adj* 1. (*terreno*) rugged 2. (*difícil*) difficult **II. m, f** injured person

accidental *adj* 1. (*no esencial*) incidental 2. (*casual*) casual

accidentarse *vr* to have an accident

accidente *m* 1. (*suceso desgraciado*) accident; ~ en cadena pile-up; ~ de circulación traffic [*o* road] accident; **por** ~ by accident; **sufrir un ~** to have an accident 2. *MED* faint 3. (*desnivel*) unevenness; ~s geográficos geographical features

acción *f* 1. (*acto*) act; ¡~! *CINE* action!; **un hombre de ~** a man of action; **entrar en ~** to go into action; **poner en ~** to put into action 2. (*influencia*) action; ~ **recíproca** interaction; **de rápida** ~ rapid-action; **de ~ retardada** (*bomba*) delayed-action 3. *MIL* action 4. *FIN* share; ~ **común** ordinary share *Brit*, common share *Am*; ~ **preferente** preference share *Brit*, preferred share *Am* 5. *JUR* action; ~ **por daños y perjuicios** action for damages; ~ **popular** incidental action

accionamiento *m* *TÉC* operation, drive *Am*

accionar *I. vi* to gesticulate **II. vt** *TÉC* to operate; ~ un cohete to fire a rocket

accionista *m/f* shareholder, stockholder

acebo *m* holly

acechar *vt* 1. (*espíar*) to spy on 2. (*esperar*) to lie in wait for

acecho *m* spying; **estar al ~** to lie in wait

acecinar *I. vt* 1. (*salar*) to salt 2. (*ahumar*) to cure **II. vr:** ~se to get thinner

aceitada *f* 1. *AmL* oiling 2. *AmL, inf* (*soborno*) kickback

aceitar *vt* 1. (*motor, gozne*) to oil 2. (*ensalada*) to dress; (*pan*) to coat with oil

aceite *m* oil; ~ **bruto** crude oil; ~ **comestible** cooking oil; ~ **esencial** essential oil; ~ **lubrificante** lubricating oil ▶ **echar ~ al fuego** to add fuel to the flames

aceitera *f* 1. (*recipiente*) oil-can 2. *pl* (*vinagreras*) cruet

aceitoso, -a *adj* oily

aceituna *f* olive ▶ **llegar a las ~s** to arrive late

aceitunado, -a *adj* olive(-green)

aceituno *m* olive tree

aceleración *f* acceleration

acelerador *m* 1. AUTO accelerator *Brit*, gas pedal *Am*; **pisar el** ~ to step on the gas 2. FIS ~ **de partículas** particle accelerator

acelerar I. *vi* to accelerate; **no aceleres tanto!** don't accelerate so hard!, don't go so fast! *Am II. vt* to accelerate; ~ **el paso** to walk faster

acelga *f* chard

acémila *f* 1. (*animal*) mule 2. *pey* (*persona*) ass *Brit*, jackass *Am*

accento *m* 1. (*prosódico*) stress; **el** ~ **cae en la primera sílaba** the stress falls on the first syllable 2. (*pronunciación, signo*) accent; **hablar inglés sin** ~ to speak English without any accent; **esta palabra se escribe sin** ~ this word is written without an accent 3. (*entonación*) tone 4. (*énfasis*) emphasis; **poner especial** ~ **en algo** to put special emphasis on sth

acentuación *f* (*prosódica*) stress; (*ortográfica*) accentuation

acentuado, -a *adj* 1. (*al pronunciar*) stressed; (*al escribir*) with an accent; **no** ~ unstressed; (*sin tilde*) unaccented 2. (*marcado*) marked

acentuar < I. *pres: acentúo*> I. *vt* 1. (*al pronunciar*) to stress; (*al escribir*) to write with an accent 2. (*resaltar*) to highlight 3. (*augmentar*) to increase II. *vr*: ~ **se** *A mL* (*una enfermedad*) to become worse

aceña *f* water mill

acepción *f* sense, meaning

aceptable *adj* acceptable

aceptación *f* 1. (*aprobación*) approval; **tener** ~ to be popular [*o* successful] 2. *COM, JUR* acceptance

aceptado *interj* *A mL* (*vale*) OK

aceptar *vt* 1. (*recibir*) to accept 2. (*aprobar, conformarse*) to approve; ~ **un compromiso** to accept an agreement; ~ **hacer algo** to agree to do sth

acequia *f* 1. (*canal de riego*) irrigation ditch 2. *Méx* (*albanal*) drain, gutter *Am*

acera *f* pavement *Brit*, sidewalk *Am* ▶ **ser de la** ~ **de enfrente** *inf*to be gay

acerado, -a *adj* 1. (*de acero*) steel 2. (*mordez*) biting

acerbo, -a *adj* 1. (*gusto*) sharp 2. (*despiadado*) cruel; (*crítica, tono*) harsh

acera prep ~ **de** (*sobre*) about; (*en relación a*) concerning

acercamiento *m* approach

acercar < *c* → *qu*> I. *vt* 1. (*poner más cerca*) to bring nearer; **acerca la silla a la mesa** draw the chair up to the table 2. (*traer*) to bring over 3. *inf* (*llevar*) to take, to bring II. *vr*: ~ **se** 1. (*aproximarse*) ~ **se a alguien/algo** to approach sb/sth 2. (*ir*) to come [*o* go] round; ~ **se a la tienda a por patatas** to go round to the shop for potatoes

acerico *m* pincushion

acero *m* steel

acérrimo, -a I. *superl* de *acre* II. *adj* (*defensor, partidario*) staunch; (*enemigo*) bitter

acertado, -a *adj* 1. (*correcto*) correct 2. (*atinado*) accurate 3. (*conveniente*) apt

acertar < *e* → *ie*> I. *vi* 1. (*dar*) to hit; ~ **al blanco** to hit the mark 2. (*hacer con acierto*) to be right; **acertaste en protestar** you were right to protest 3. (*por casualidad*) ~ **a hacer algo** to happen to do sth 4. (*conseguir*) **no acerté a encontrar la respuesta** I didn't manage to find the answer 5. (*encontrar*) ~ **con algo** to come across sth II. *vt* 1. (*dar en el blanco*) to hit 2. (*encontrar*) to find 3. (*advertir*) to get right

acertijo *m* riddle

acervo *m* store; ~ **cultural** cultural heritage

acético, -a *adj* acetic

acetona *f* acetone

achacar < *c* → *qu*> *vt* to attribute

achachay *interj* *Col, Ecu*a expressing cold, brrrrr

achacoso, -a *adj* sickly; **estar** ~ to be ailing

achalay *interj* *Arg, Perú* wow

achantar I. *vt* *inf*to intimidate II. *vr*: ~ **se** *inf*to hide away; (*no atreverse*) to back down

achaparrado, -a *adj* 1. (*persona*) stocky 2. (*objeto*) squat

achaque *m* 1. (*dolencia*) ailment 2. (*excusa*) pretext

achatado, -a *adj* flattened; **nariz achatada** snub nose; (*como un boxeador*) boxer's nose **achatar** I. *vt* to flatten; ~ **la nariz a alguien** to break sb's nose II. *vr*: ~ **se** to become flat

achicar < *c* → *qu*> I. *vt* 1. (*empequeñecer*) to make smaller 2. (*intimidar*) to intimidate 3. (*agua*) to bale out II. *vr*: ~ **se** 1. (*empequeñecerse*) to become smaller; (*ropa*) to shrink 2. (*acoquinarse*) to take fright; (*no atreverse*) not to dare 3. *A mL* (*humillarse*) to demean oneself

achicharrar I. *vt* 1. (*calor*) to scorch; **estoy achicharrado** I'm boiling (hot) 2. (*comida*) to burn 3. (*atosigar*) to harass II. *vr*: ~ **se**

1. (*comida*) to get burnt 2. (*persona*) to be sweltering; (*planta*) to be wilting (in the heat) **achichiguar** *vt* *Méx* 1. (*servir de niñera*) to babysit 2. (*malcriar*) to cosset

achichinque *m* *Méx* (*adulador*) groupie

achicoria *f* chicory

achinado, -a *adj* 1. (*rasgos*) oriental; **ojos** ~ *s* slanting eyes 2. *CSur* (*aplebeyado*) coarse

achiote *m* *AmC, Bol, Méx* 1. *BOT* annatto tree 2. (*pigmento*) annatto

achipolarse *vr* *Méx* 1. (*personas*) to grow sad 2. (*plantas*) to wither

achiquillado, -a *adj* 1. *Méx* (*infantil*) childish 2. *Chile* (*como un muchacho*) boyish

achira *f* *AmS* *BOT* canna

achís *interj* *atishoo* *Brit*, atchoo *Am*

achispas I. *vt* to cheer up II. *vr*: ~ **se** to become tipsy

acholado, -a *adj* *CSur, Perú, Bol* 1. (*mestizo*)

mestizo (of mixed Spanish American and American Indian descent) **2.** (acobardado) intimidated

acholar **I.** vt Chile, Perú, Bol **1.** (avergonzar) to embarrass **2.** (amillanar) to scare **II.** vr: ~se CSur, Perú, Bol (acobardarse) to become intimidated

achuchado, -a adj inf **1.** (duro) tough **2.** (de dinero) broke **3.** (débil) feverish

achuchar vt **1.** inf (persona) to stir up; ~ a un perro contra alguien to set a dog on sb **2.** inf (estrujar) to crush **3.** (atosigar) to harass **4.** inf (acariciar) to caress; (abrazar) to embrace; (manosear) to fondle

achuchón m inf **1.** (abrazo) squeeze **2.** (empujón) shove **3.** (achaque) indisposition

achucutado, -a adj **1.** AmL (abatido) depressed **2.** Ven, Hond, Guat (triste) sad

achucutarse vr Col, Ecua, **achucuyarse** vr AmC **1.** (humillarse) to shame **2.** (acobardarse) to chicken out inf

achumado, -a adj Ecua drunk **achumarse** vr Ecua to get drunk

achunchar vt AmL (avergonzar; amedrentar) to humiliate

achura f AmS (despojos de res) offal **achurar** vt CSur **1.** (res) to gut **2.** (persona) to stab to death

achuras fpl Arg offal **achuras, -a** adj ill-fated; un día ~ a fateful day

acibar m **1.** BOT aloe **2.** (amargura) bitterness

acicalarse vr to get dressed up

acicate m **1.** (espuela) spur **2.** (estimulo) stimulus

acidez f acidity; ~ de estómago MED heartburn, acid indigestion Am

ácido m **1.** QUÍM acid; ~ cianhídrico hydrocyanic acid; ~ clorhídrico hydrochloric acid; ~s grasos insaturados unsaturated fatty acids **2.** inf (droga) acid

ácido, -a adj **1.** (agrio) sour **2.** (mordaz) sharp **3.** QUÍM acidic

ácido, -a adj sharp-tasting

acierto m **1.** (en el tiro) accuracy **2.** (éxito) success; (en la lotería) right number; el casarte ha sido un ~ you did well to get married **3.** (habilidad) skill; hacer algo con ~ to do sth skilfully

acitrón m Méx GASTR candied citron

aclamación f **1.** (aplausos) applause **2.** POL por ~ by acclamation [o acclaim Am]

aclamar vt **1.** (vitorear) to cheer **2.** POL to acclaim

aclaración f **1.** (clarificación) clarification **2.** (explicación) explanation **3.** (de un crimen) solution; (de un secreto) revelation

aclarar **I.** vt **1.** (hacer más claro) to lighten; ~ el bosque to clear [o thin out] the forest; ~ la voz to clear one's throat **2.** (un líquido) to thin (down) **3.** (la ropa) to rinse **4.** (explicar) to explain **5.** (crimen) to solve; (secreto) to reveal **II.** vr: ~se **1.** (problema, cuestión) to be clarified **2.** inf (entender) to catch on; no te

aclaras contigo mismo you don't know what you want III. vimpers está aclarando it's brightening up

aclaratorio, -a adj explanatory **aclimatación** f acclimatization Brit, acclimation Am

aclimatar **I.** vt to acclimatize Brit, to acclimate Am **II.** vr: ~se to get acclimatized Brit [o acclimated Am]

acné m o f sin pl ace

acobardar **I.** vt to frighten; (con palabras) to intimidate; le acobarda el fuego he/she is afraid of fire **II.** vr: ~se **1.** (desanimarse) ~se ante [o frente a] algo to flinch from sth **2.** (intimidarse) to be frightened; se acobarda de sí misma he is afraid of his own shadow

acogedor(a) adj welcoming, inviting **acoger** <g→j> **I.** vt to welcome; (recibir) to receive **II.** vr: ~se **1.** (refugiarse) to take refuge **2.** (ampararse) to shelter **3.** (basarse) to resort; ~se a algo to avail oneself of sth

acogida f welcome; (recibimiento) reception; encontrar una buena ~ to be well received; el cantante tuvo una buena ~ the singer was received with applause; el proyecto no tuvo una buena ~ the project didn't meet with approval

acogotar vt **1.** (matar) to kill (with a blow to the head) **2.** (intimidar) to pressurize Brit, to pressure Am **3.** (derribar) to knock down

acojonado, -a adj vulg **1.** (asustado) frightened, scared shitless Am; (acobardado) intimidated; ahora está ~ he/she is frightened now **2.** (impresionado) impressed; (asombrado) amazed

acojonante adj vulg **1.** (fantástico) fantastic **2.** (impresionante) incredible

acojonar **I.** vt vulg **1.** (asustar) to frighten, to scare the shit out of Am; (intimidar) to intimidate **2.** (impresionar) to impress; (asombrar) to amaze **II.** vr: ~se vulg **1.** (asustarse) to become frightened, to be scared shitless Am; (acobardarse) to back down; no ~se not to be frightened **2.** (asombrarse) to be amazed

acolchar vt to quilt **acólito** m **1.** (monaguillo) altar boy **2.** pey (seguidor) follower

acometer **I.** vi to attack **II.** vt **1.** (embestir) to attack **2.** (emprender) to undertake **3.** (ataque de tos, fiebre) to attack; (risa, sueño) to overcome; lo acometió la risa he was overcome by laughter

acometida f **1.** (embestida) attack **2.** (acceso) fit **3.** TÉC connection

acomodado, -a adj **1.** (cómodo) comfortable **2.** (rico) well-off; tener una vida acomodada to live comfortably **3.** (apropiado) suitable **4.** (precio) reasonable

acomodador(a) m(f) TEAT, CINE usher **acomodar** **I.** vt **1.** (adaptar) to adapt **2.** (colocar) to place **3.** (albergar) to accommodate **4.** (proporcionar empleo) ~ de algo (a alguien) to take on (sb) as sth **5.** (conciliar) to

reconcile **II. vi** **si te acomoda** if it suits you **III. vr: ~se** **1.** (*adaptarse*) to adapt oneself; **~se con todo** to put up with everything **2.** (*ponerse cómodo*) to make oneself comfortable

acomodaticio, -a *adj* **1.** (*adaptable*) adaptable **2.** *pey* (*oportunista*) opportunistic

acomodo *m* **1.** (*arreglo*) arrangement **2.** (*acuerdo*) agreement **3.** (*ocupación*) employment, job, post *Brit*; **buscar** ~ to look for a job **4.** *AmL* (*soborno*) bribe

acompañado, -a *adj* accompanied; **bien/mal** ~ in good/bad company; **iba acompañada por su padre** she was accompanied by her father

acompañamiento *m* **1. t.** *MÚS* accompaniment **2.** (*cortejo*) retinue **3.** *TEAT* extras *pl*, supporting cast *Am* **4.** (*de comidas*) accompaniment, side dish *Am*

acompañante *m/f* **1.** (*de una dama*) escort **2.** (*en el coche*) passenger

acompañar *vt* **1.** (*ir con*) *t.* *MÚS* to accompany; ~ **a alguien a casa** to see sb home; ~ **a alguien en un viaje** to go with sb on a journey; ~ **a alguien de compras** to go shopping with sb; ~ **a alguien con la guitarra/al piano** to accompany sb on the guitar/on the piano; ~ **el pollo con arroz y verduras** to serve the chicken with rice and vegetables **2.** (*hacer compañía*) ~ **a alguien** to keep sb company **3.** (*adjuntar*) to enclose **4.** (*ir incluido*) **el informe acompaña a la carta** the report is enclosed with the letter

acompasado, -a *adj* **1.** *MÚS* rhythmic **2.** (*pausado*) measured

acompasar *vt* **1.** *MÚS* ~ **algo** to mark the rhythm of sth **2.** (*adaptar*) ~ **algo a [o con] algo** to fit sth in with sth

acomplejado, -a *adj* full of complexes

acomplejar *I. vt* to give a complex **II. vr: ~se** to get a complex

aconchar *I. vt* **1.** (*guarecer*) to shelter **2.** *Méx* (*reprender*) to tell off **II. vr: ~se** **1.** (*arrimarse*) to come alongside **2.** *NÁUT* to run aground **3.** *Chile, Perú* (*sedimentarse*) to settle; ~ **a alguien los meados** *inf*to chicken out **4.** *Chile, Perú* (*serenarse*) to calm down

acondicionado, -a *adj* **bien/mal** ~ in good/bad condition

acondicionador *m* **1.** (*de aire*) air-conditioner **2.** (*para el pelo*) conditioner

acondicionar *vt* **1.** (*preparar*) to prepare; (*arreglar*) to arrange **2.** (*equipar*) to equip **3.** (*climatizar*) to air-condition

acongojar *vt* to distress

aconsejable *adj* advisable

aconsejado, -a *adj* (*prudente*) sensible

aconsejar *vt* to advise; ~ **algo a alguien** to recommend sth to sb; **esto aconseja prudencia** this calls for caution

acontecer *irr como crecer* *vi* to happen

acontecimiento *m* event

acopiar *vt* to gather together

acopio *m* **1.** (*de comida, bienes*) store; **hacer ~ de algo** to stock up with [o on *Am*] sth; **hacer ~ de paciencia** to draw on all one's reserves of patience; **hacer ~ de valor** to muster one's courage **2.** (*compra*) stock

acoplado *m* *RíoPl* trailer

acoplamiento *m* **1.** (*de máquinas, vagones*) coupling **2.** *ELEC* connection

acoplar *I. vt* **1.** (*ajustar*) to adjust; (*juntar*) to join **2.** (*piezas, remolque*) to fit together **3.** *ELEC* to connect **4.** (*adaptar*) to adapt **II. vr: ~se** to adapt

acoquinar *I. vt* to intimidate **II. vr: ~se** to allow oneself to be intimidated, to chicken out *Am, inf*

acorazar *<z→c>* *I. vt* to armour-plate *Brit*, to armourplate *Am* **II. vr: ~se** to arm oneself

acorazonado, -a *adj* heart-shaped

acordar *<o→ue>* *I. vt* **1.** (*convenir*) to agree **2.** (*decidir*) to decide **3.** *MÚS* to tune **II. vr: ~se de algo/alguien** to remember sth/sb; **si mal no me acuerdo** if my memory serves me right; **¡acuérdate de decirselo!** remember to tell him/her!

acorde *I. adj* **1.** (*conforme*) agreed; **estar ~ con alguien** to be in agreement with sb; ~ **con el medio ambiente** in keeping with the environment **2.** *MÚS* harmonious **II. m** *MÚS* chord; ~ **mayor/menor** major/minor chord; **a los ~s de un vals** to the strains of a waltz

acordeón *m* accordion

acordonar *vt* **1.** (*botas*) to lace up **2.** (*un sitio*) to cordon off

acorralar *vt* **1.** (*ganado*) to round up **2.** (*cercar*) to fence in **3.** (*intimidar*) to intimidate; (*con preguntas*) to corner

acortar *I. vt* to shorten; (*duración*) to cut down; (*distancia*) to reduce; ~ **camino** to take a short cut; ~ **un pantalón unos centímetros** to take up a pair of trousers by a few centimetres **II. vr: ~se** to become shorter

acosar *vt* **1.** (*perseguir*) to hound **2.** (*asediar*) to harass; ~ **a alguien a [o con] preguntas** to pester sb with questions

acosijar *vt* *Méx* (*acosar*) to hound

acoso *m* relentless pursuit; *fig* harassment; ~ *sexual* sexual harassment

acostar *<o→ue>* *I. vt* to put to bed **II. vr: ~se** **1.** (*descansar*) to lie down; **estar acostado** to be lying down **2.** (*ir a la cama*) to go to bed; ~ **se con alguien** to go to bed with sb **3.** *AmC, Méx, Col* (*dar a luz*) to give birth

acostumbrado, -a *adj* accustomed; **mal** ~ spoil

acostumbrar *I. vi* ~ **a hacer algo** to be used to doing sth; **como se acostumbra a decir** as they say **II. vt** ~ **a alguien a hacer algo** to get sb used to doing sth **III. vr: ~se a algo** to get accustomed [o used] to sth

acotación *f* **1.** (*nota*) margin note, annotation **2.** *TEAT* stage direction **3.** (*cota*) elevation mark

acotamiento *m* **1.** (*acotación*) fencing

2. *Méx* (*arcén*) hard shoulder, shoulder *Am*
acotar *vt* 1. (*delimitar*) to delimit; **terreno acotado** private property **2.** (*un plano*) ~ algo to mark elevations on sth **3.** (*un texto*) to annotate

ácrata **I.** *adj* 1. (*anárquico*) anarchic **2.** (*anarquista*) anarchistic **II.** *mf* anarchist

acre¹ *adj* <acérrimo> **1.** (*áspero*) bitter **2.** (*ácido*) sour **3.** (*mordaz*) scathing; (*tono*) harsh

acre² *m* (*medida de tierra*) acre

acrecentar <e→ie> *vt*, **acrecer** *irr como crecer* *vt* to increase

acreditado, -a *adj* (*reputado*) reputable

acreditar **I.** *vt* 1. (*atestiguar*) to vouch for **2.** (*autorizar*) to authorize **3.** (*diplomático*) to accredit; ~ como embajador to accredit as ambassador **4.** (*dar reputación*) to do credit **5.** *FIN* to credit **II.** *vr*: ~se **1.** (*adquirir reputación*) to get a reputation **2.** (*dar crédito de uno mismo*) to prove one's worth

acreedor(a) **I.** *adj* *hacerse* ~ a [o de] algo to be worthy of sth **II.** *m(f)* *FIN* creditor

acribillar *vt* 1. (*abrir agujeros*) to riddle; **acribillado a balazos** riddled with bullets; **anoche me han acribillado los mosquitos** last night I was eaten alive by the mosquitoes **2.** (*importunar*) to pester; ~ a alguien a preguntas to pester sb with questions

acrílico, -a *adj* acrylic; **fibra acrílica** acrylic fibre

acrimonia *f.v.* **acritud**

acriollarse *vr* *AmL* to go native

acritud *f* 1. (*acrimonia*) acrimony; **contestar con** ~ to reply bitterly **2.** (*de un dolor*) harshness

acrobacia *f* acrobatics *pl*; ~ **aérea** aerobatics *pl*, stunt flying *Am*

acrobata *mf* acrobat

acrobático, -a *adj* acrobatic

acrónimo *m* acronym

acta *f* 1. (*de una reunión*) minutes *pl*; **levantar** ~ **de algo** to draw up a document of sth; **hacer constar en** ~ to record in the minutes **2.** (*certificado*) certificate **3.** *JUR* act; ~ **de acusación** bill of indictment; **Acta Única Europea** Single European Act

actitud *f* 1. (*corporal*) posture; ~ **de ataque** threatening stance; ~ **de extrema cautela en cuanto a algo** policy of extreme caution with regard to sth **2.** (*disposición*) attitude; **adoptar una** ~ **reservada** to adopt a reserved attitude **3.** (*comportamiento*) behaviour *Brit*, behavior *Am*; **adoptar una** ~ **incomprensible** to behave incomprehensibly

activamente *adv* actively

activar *vt* 1. (*avivar*) to stimulate **2.** (*acelerar*) to speed up; ~ **la digestión** to aid digestion **3.** *QUÍM, FIS, INFOR* to activate; ~ **una bomba** to detonate a bomb

actividad *f* 1. (*general*) activity; (*ocupación*) occupation; ~ **profesional** profession; **las** ~es **artísticas de una país** the cultural activities of

a country [o city]; **en** ~ active; **volcán en** ~ active volcano; **entrar en** ~ to go into action **2.** (*diligencia*) diligence

activo *m* *FIN* assets *pl*; ~ **circulante** current assets; ~ **fijo** fixed assets

activo, -a *adj* active; (*sustancia, medicamento*) effective

acto *m* 1. (*acción*) action; ~ **de cortesía** act of courtesy; ~ **jurídico** (*válido*) legal act; (*negocio*) legal transaction; ~ **penal** criminal act; ~ **sexual** sexual act; ~ **de violencia** act of violence; ~ **de voluntad** professed intention; **cometer** ~s **de gamberrismo** to commit acts of vandalism; **hacer** ~ **de presencia** to put in an appearance **2.** (*ceremonia*) ceremony; ~ **conmemorativo** commemoration; ~ **estatal** state occasion; ~ **necológico** funeral service **3.** *TEAT* act ▶ ~ **seguido...** immediately after ...; **en el** ~ immediately, on the spot

actor, actriz *m, f* *TEAT, CINE* actor *m*, actress *f*; ~ **de cine** film actor; ~ **suplente** understudy;

primer ~ principal actor, leading man

actor(a) *m(f)* plaintiff

actriz *f.v.* **actor**

actuación *f* 1. (*conducta*) conduct; **la** ~ **de la policía** the police action **2.** (*actividad*) activity; (*desempeño de un cargo*) performance **3.** *TEAT, MÚS* performance; ~ **en directo** live performance **4.** *pl* *JUR* legal proceedings *pl*

actual *adj* 1. (*de ahora*) present **2.** (*corriente*) current

actualidad *f* 1. (*presente*) present; **en la** ~ at present **2.** (*calidad*) topicality, currentness; **de** ~ topical; **ser de gran** ~ to be topical

actualizar <z→c> *vt* to bring up to date

actualmente *adv* at the moment, currently **actuar** <I. pres: actúo> *vi* 1. (*obrar, hacer*) to work **2.** (*tener efecto*) ~ **sobre algo** to have an effect on sth **3.** *TEAT* to act; ~ **en directo** to perform live; ~ **de Don Juan** to play Don Juan; **ella no actúa en esta función** she doesn't appear in this performance **4.** *JUR* to appear; ~ **contra alguien** to take legal proceedings against sb

acuache *m* *Méx* (*compinche*) mate *Brit*, pal *Am*

acuarela *f* watercolour *Brit*, watercolor *Am*

acuario *m* aquarium

Acuario *m* Aquarius

acuartelar *vt* 1. *MIL* to billet **2.** (*dividir*) to divide into quarters

acuático, -a *adj* aquatic; **parque** ~ waterpark **acuchamarse** *vr* *Ven* (*enrhistecerse*) to get depressed

acuchillar *vt* 1. (*herir*) to knife; (*matar*) to stab to death **2.** (*parqué*) to sand down; (*muebles*) to scrape

acuciante *adj* urgent

acuciar *vt* 1. (*dar prisa*) to hurry up **2.** (*incitar*) to urge

acucillarse *vr* to squat

acudiente *m* *Col* (*tutor*) tutor

acudir *vi* 1. (*ir*) to go; ~ **a una cita** to keep an

appointment; ~ **al trabajo/a la puerta** to go to work/to the door; ~ **a las urnas** to go to the polls; ~ **a la memoria de alguien** to come to sb's mind **2. (corriendo)** ~ **a alguien** to go to help sb; ~ **en socorro de alguien** to come to sb's aid **3. (recurrir)** ~ **a** to turn to

acueducto *m* aqueduct

acuerdo *m* **1. (convenio)** *t. POL* agreement; **Acuerdo General sobre Aranceles y Comercio** General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade; **Acuerdo Monetario Europeo** European Monetary Agreement; **llegar a un** ~ to reach an agreement **2. (decisión)** decision; **tomar un** ~ to pass a resolution **3. (conformidad)** agreement; **estar de ~ con alguien** to agree with sb; **ponerse de ~** to come to an agreement; **sin ponerse de ~** without reaching (an) agreement; **de común** ~ by mutual consent ▶ **¡de** ~! I agree!, OK!; **de** ~ **con** in accordance with

acuerpado, -a *adj Bol (corpulento)* hefty

acular *vt* AUTO to back

acullá *adv elev 1. (lugar)* over there **2. (dirección)** yonder

acullicar *vi Arg, Bol, Chile, Perú (mascar coca)* to chew coca leaves

acullico *m Arg, Bol, Perú (bola de coca)* small ball of coca

acumuchar *vt Chile (acumular)* to pile up

acumulación *f* **1. (amontonamiento)** accumulation **2. (de cosas reunidas)** collection

acumulador *m* ELEC accumulator

acumular *vt* **1. (reunir)** to collect **2. (amontonar)** *t. ELEC* to accumulate

acunar *vt* to rock (to sleep)

acuañar *vt* **1. (monedas)** to mint **2. (palabras)** to coin **3. (TÉC)** to wedge

acuoso, -a *adj* watery; (*fruta*) juicy

acupuntura *f* acupuncture

acurí *m Col, Ven ZOO* agouti, guinea pig

acurrucarse <c→qu> *vr* to curl up; (*agacharse*) to crouch; (*a causa del frío*) to huddle up; ~ **en un sillón** to curl up in an armchair

acusación *f* **1. (inculpación)** accusation; ~ **de corrupción** charge of corruption **2. JUR (en juicio)** charge; (*escrito*) indictment; ~ **constitucional** charge concerning an infringement of the constitution; ~ **particular** private prosecution

acusado, -a **I. adj** **1. (claro, evidente)** pronounced **2. (marcado)** marked **II. m, f** accused

acusador(a) *m(f)* accuser

acusar *vt* **1. (culpar)** to accuse; **lo acusan de asesinato** he is accused of murder **2. (en juicio)** to charge **3. (en la escuela)** to tell on **4. (traslucir)** to reveal; *TÉC* to register **5. ECON** to confirm; ~ **recibo de un pedido** to acknowledge receipt of an order

acusativo *m* LING accusative

acuse *m* ~ **de recibo** acknowledgement of receipt

acústica *f* **1. (ciencia)** acoustics *sing* **2. (de**

un sitio) acoustics *pl*

acústico, -a *adj* acoustic

acutí *m Arg, Par; Urug ZOO* agouti

adagio *m* **1. (proverbio)** adage **2. MÚS** adagio

adalid *m* **1. (caudillo)** leader **2. (defensor)** champion

adán *m* slovenly fellow; **vas hecho un** ~ you look a mess

Adán *m* Adam; ~ **y Eva** Adam and Eve

adaptable *adj* adaptable

adaptación *f* **1. (acomodación)** adaptation **2. LIT, MÚS, TEAT** adaptation; **la ~ de una obra de teatro al cine** the film version of a play

adaptador *m* *TÉC* adapter

adaptar **I. vt** **1. (acomodar)** to adapt; **bien adaptado al grupo** well adapted to the group **2. (edificio)** to convert; ~ **un piso para oficina** to convert a flat into an office **3. (ajustar)** to adjust; ~ **algo a algo** to adapt sth to sth

4. LIT, MÚS, TEAT, CINE to adapt; ~ **una novela a la pantalla** to adapt a novel for the screen **II. vr:** ~ **se** to adapt; **se han adaptado muy bien el uno al otro** they have fitted in very well with each other

adecentar **I. vt** to tidy up **II. vr:** ~ **se** to tidy oneself up

adecuado, -a *adj* **1. (apto)** appropriate **2. (palabras)** fitting; (*conveniente*) suitable; **la decoración de tu casa es muy adecuada** your house is very well decorated

adecuar *vt, vr:* ~ **se** to adapt

adefesio *m* **1. (prenda)** rag, ridiculous costume **2. (persona)** scarecrow; **estar hecho un** ~ to look a sight

a. de (J.C.) *abr de antes de (Jesu)cristo* BC

adelantado, -a *adj* **1. (precoz)** precocious **2. (avanzado)** advanced; **estar muy** ~ to be very advanced ▶ **por** ~ in advance

adelantamiento *m* **1. (avance)** advance; (*progreso*) progress **2. (del coche)** overtaking *Brit*, passing *Am*; **realizar un** ~ to overtake *Brit*, to pass *Am*

adelantar **I. vi** **1. (reloj)** to be fast **2. (progresar)** to progress; **no adelanto nada en francés** I'm not making any progress in French

3. (coche) to overtake *Brit*, to pass *Am* **II. vt** **1. (reloj)** to put forward **2. (avanzar)** to move forward; ~ **unos pasos** to go forward a few steps **3. (coche, persona)** to overtake *Brit*, to pass *Am* **4. (viaje, partida)** to bring forward

5. (idea) to put forward **6. (paga)** to advance **7. (obtener ventaja)** to gain; **¿qué adelantas con esto?** where does that get you? **III. vr:** ~ **se** **1. (reloj)** to be fast **2. (avanzarse)** to go forward **3. (llegar antes)** to get ahead

4. (anticiparse) to anticipate; **te has adelantado a mis deseos** you've anticipated my wishes

adelante *adv* forward, ahead *Am*; **llevar un plan** ~ to carry forward a plan, to go ahead with a plan *Am*; **sacar una familia** ~ to provide for a family; ¡~! come in!; **seguir** ~ to go (straight) on; **véase más** ~ see below