

## SEMEJANZAS ENTRE LAS CULTURAS DE EE.UU. Y ARGENTINA: COWBOY & GAUCHO

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### 1. ANTES de ver el video:

Many cowboy words come from the Spanish language: lasso (from *lazo*), lariat (from *la riata*), sombrero, buckaroo (from *vaquero*), chaps (from *chaparreras*), etc.

- Why do you think this is?
- What Spanish word do you think "vamoose" comes from? What does it mean?

### 2. DURANTE el video:

**Word Bank:**

Asado	Argentine ostrich (an emu)	Boleadoras	Pingo
Bombachas	Argentina	Palenque	Recado

- ▶ Goofy viaja desde Texas a \_\_\_\_\_.
- ▶ ¿Cómo se llaman los pantalones del gaucho?
- ▶ ¿Quién es el mejor amigo del gaucho?
- ▶ *Snubbing post* significa \_\_\_\_\_ en español.
- ▶ ¿Cuál es el nombre para *saddle* en Argentina?
- ▶ ¿Qué come el gaucho Goofy?
- ▶ Avestruz significa \_\_\_\_\_ en inglés.
- ▶ Goofy usa \_\_\_\_\_ para cazar (*hunt*) al avestruz.

### 3. DESPUÉS de ver el video —for the teacher:

- Have a class discussion about the similarities between Texas cattle culture and Argentina's:
- Is the cowboy a 100% Anglo-American product? Or is he a cultural hybrid?
- Explain the Spanish-American heritage of the cowboy (descendant of Mexican *vaquero*). The cowboy learned to rope, ride and drive cattle from Mexican *vaqueros*.
- Discuss the general statement: "the gaucho is the South American cowboy". Why isn't the cowboy the North American gaucho? For instance, Gaucho culture has a longer history than the North American cowboy.