

Re: Print Spanish characters in Perl?

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DanB <dbxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

I am trying to build a set of Spanish flash cards using TK, and I need to be able to display the accented characters. I know that I need to specify them in some unicode besides utf-8,

Actually, you don't. Just put them into your code in your favourite editor and treat them like any ASCII character.

A problems arise only if your editor saves the file in a different encoding then your display device expects. Typical examples are e.g. saving as UTF-8, then including the text in an HTML page but forgetting to specify UTF-8 as charset. In this case the browser defaults to ISO-Latin-1 and the non-ASCII characters will be messed up, of course. Or saving the file as Windows-1252 (or ISO-Latin-1) and then viewing the output in a DOS Window which for western languages uses OEM CP 850.

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