



Spanish

Name of Course	GCSE Spanish
Exam Board	AQA
Curriculum Outline	<p>Pupils will study three themes during this course.</p> <p>Theme 1: People and lifestyle Theme 1 covers the following three topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Topic 1: Identity and relationships with others• Topic 2: Healthy living and lifestyle• Topic 3: Education and work <p>Theme 2: Popular culture Theme 2 covers the following three topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Topic 1: Free-time activities• Topic 2: Customs, festivals and lifestyle• Topic 3: Celebrity culture <p>Theme 3: Communication and the world around us Theme 3 covers the following three topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Topic 1: Travel and tourism, including places of interest• Topic 2: Media and technology• Topic 3: The environment and where people live



Learning & Assessment Method

Four main skills are tested:

Paper 1: Listening

What is assessed

- Understanding and responding to spoken extracts comprising the defined vocabulary and grammar for each tier
- Dictation of short, spoken extracts.

How it is assessed

- Written exam: 35 minutes (Foundation tier), 45 minutes (Higher tier)
- 40 marks (Foundation tier), 50 marks (Higher tier)
- 25% of GCSE

Paper 2: Speaking

What is assessed

- Speaking using clear and comprehensible language to undertake a role-play
- Carry out a reading aloud task
- Talk about visual stimuli

How it is assessed

- Role play task (10 marks)
- Reading aloud task (15 marks)
- Photo card discussion (25 marks)
- 25% of GCSE

Paper 3: Reading

What is assessed

- Understanding and responding to written texts which focus predominantly on the vocabulary and grammar at each tier
- Inferring plausible meanings of single words when they are embedded in written sentences
- Translating from Spanish into English

How it is assessed

- Written exam: 45 minutes (Foundation tier), 1 hour (Higher tier)
- 50 marks (for each of Foundation and Higher tier)
- 25% of GCSE

Paper 4: Writing

What is assessed

- Writing text in the language in a lexically and grammatically accurate way in response to simple and familiar stimuli
- Translating from English into Spanish

How it is assessed

- Written exam: 1 hour 10 minutes (Foundation tier), 1 hour 15 minutes (Higher tier)
- 50 marks (for each of Foundation and Higher tier)
- 25% of GCSE



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Curriculum Intent	<p>This course enables pupils to develop their ability and ambition to communicate with native speakers. The study of Spanish will also broaden and encourage them to step beyond familiar cultural boundaries and develop new ways of seeing the world.</p> <p>During the course, pupils will develop their ability to communicate confidently and coherently with native speakers in speech and writing conveying what they want to say with increasing accuracy. They will deepen their knowledge about how language works and enrich their vocabulary to increase their independent use and understanding of extended language in a range of contexts.</p>
Career and Learning Progression	<p>The study of languages offers a wealth of benefits.</p> <p>In terms of careers, pupils may decide to further deepen their knowledge at A level and ultimately find a job with an international company, as a translator or as a teacher to name but a few.</p> <p>Languages are well respected by employers as they demonstrate both academic prowess and an ability to interact and communicate. Furthermore, they allow pupils to become more culturally aware.</p> <p>Often, languages are studied in conjunction with other subjects at university, such as Business Studies, Marketing or Law. In this way, students develop a wide range of skills that will make them particularly employable.</p>
Useful Links	<p>AQA Spanish GCSE GCSE Spanish</p>