

Spanish

Exam Board: AQA



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Course Summary

A Level Spanish builds on the knowledge, understanding and skills gained at GCSE, with a focus on Spanish language, culture and society. It fosters a range of transferable skills including communication, critical thinking, research skills and creativity. You will have the opportunity to develop your language knowledge, understanding and skills to a deeper level.

You will study how Spanish-speaking society has been shaped socially and culturally and how it continues to change. In the first year, aspects of the social context are covered together with aspects of the artistic life of Spanish-speaking countries. As you progress to the second year, you will look at further aspects of the social background focusing on matters associated with multiculturalism. You will also study aspects of the political landscape including the future of political life in the Hispanic world with a focus on young people and their political engagement.

Throughout A Level Spanish you will make reference to authentic spoken and written sources in Spanish and you will have the opportunity to study a film and a work of Spanish literature. You will assimilate, translate and summarise information from spoken and written sources, reporting key points and subject matter in speech and writing.

Entry Requirements

A Grade 6 or higher in GCSE Spanish is required.

Course Assessment

This is a linear course. This means that students opting for an A Level in this subject will be committing to a two-year linear course, with all units examined at the end of Year 13.

Where might it lead?

Students who study A Level languages go on to study a very wide range of subjects at university, often with a language as part of the degree (e.g. Spanish and Business).

A Level languages are listed as "facilitating subjects" by the Russell Group universities and develop key study skills whilst opening up further choices in the future.



I'm from Madrid and I enjoy learning about my own culture from a different perspective. One of my favourite parts was when we sent questions to a real Venezuelan immigrant. It was fascinating to learn about his experiences, and how other people live in the Spanish speaking world. DAN

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