

# Spanish

## Introduction

A Level courses in Spanish offer an exciting opportunity to develop your language skills up to a much more sophisticated level than GCSE using 'real' language to study and discuss a wide range of issues. You will develop the four key language skills, Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing using a wide variety of sources including radio,

television, newspapers and foreign language websites. As well as developing your language skills, you will learn all about the culture of the countries where Spanish is spoken.

## Content

- Social issues and trends
- Political and artistic culture
- Grammar
- Literary text and films

### **Paper 1**

Listening, reading and writing (2 hours 30 mins)

50% of a level

Listening all questions in Spanish

Reading all questions in Spanish

Translation into English

Translation into Spanish

### **Paper 2**

Writing (2 hours)

20% of A level

1 text and 1 film (or 2 texts)

Students answer 1 question (from a choice of 2) on the texts/film they have studied.

### **Paper 3**

Speaking (21-23 minutes)

30% of a level

Discussion based on stimulus card 5-6 mins

Presentation 2 mins and discussion 9-10

mins of individual research project.

You will be aware that only a small number of students nationally now follow Spanish courses up to A Level. If you are successful in an A Level language course you will find yourself in a very strong position in the job market. Students of A level Spanish have the opportunity to visit Valencia for 5 to 6 days in July of year 12. They will engage in linguistic and cultural challenges in one of Spain's oldest and most beautiful cities and will experience all that the La Vida Valenciana has to offer!

## Course Requirement

Entry requirements are a Grade 7,8,9 with consideration of 6 in extreme circumstances at GCSE in French or German. Applicants may be considered on an individual basis but may well be advised that they are not suitable.

## Course Leader

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