



Spanish

Course objectives

- Languages are all around us; they are used in so many situations whether at work, on holiday or just casually in day-to-day life - we live in a multilingual global society.
- Choosing an A-level language is a great choice if you want a fascinating subject that offers you a range of career possibilities, is a lot of fun along the way and says a lot about you. A level language courses are interesting and varied subjects to study and give you a broad range of knowledge and skills such as problem-solving, resilience and risk taking which are highly regarded by universities and employers alike.
- By studying a language at A level, you are showing that you value communication and have appreciation and respect of the cultures of other countries.

Main qualifications

- A Level

Awarding Body

- Edexcel

Other compulsory qualifications

- None

Duration/ Lessons per week

- 10 lessons x 1 hour per fortnight

Entry requirements

- Minimum grade 6 GCSE Spanish

Progression opportunities

- An A level language complements a whole variety of subjects. You may need languages for all sorts of career destinations - doctors, psychologists and physiotherapists need language skills to communicate effectively with patients whether they work in the UK or overseas; businessmen, bankers and entrepreneurs all need language skills to make deals and sell products on the global market. Politicians, historians, geographers and holiday reps all need language skills to get to know the people and area that they are passionate about. Many universities offer a language with other subjects, recognising its value to various fields.



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Course content

- The topics that you will cover are really varied so you not only greatly improve your language speaking ability, use of grammar, different tenses, and know a great deal more vocabulary - but you also learn about a whole range of cultural topics and contemporary social issues. In addition to this, you will study a book and a film.
- The course content involves:
The evolution of Spanish society (family, education and tourism), Spanish culture (music, media, customs and tradition), immigration and Franco's dictatorship.

Assessment

- Three papers
- Listening, reading, translation: 2 hours, 40% of the A level
- Written response to works and translation: 2 hours 40 minutes, 30% of the A level
- Speaking: 21-23 minutes, 30% of the A level

Costs

- We recommend a subscription to an online textbook 'Boost' at a cost of £10

Additional information

- We are aiming to offer a visit to Spain which will be invaluable as an A-Level student of Spanish - being immersed in the culture, even for a few days, is extremely motivating and brings the classroom to life.

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