

Spanish GCSE

If you enjoy meeting and talking to people from other countries, finding out about their cultures and learning how language works, then studying GCSE Spanish is an excellent choice for you!

Learning languages allows you to:

- Meet people from different countries and find out more about them
- Learn many skills which are useful in a wide range of careers, such as the ability to communicate clearly, be confident about speaking in public, use problem-solving strategies and write coherently
- Add an international dimension to your choice of GCSE subjects, which is something many employers and higher education providers want
- Have greater opportunities to work and/or study abroad, or work for companies in the UK with international links
- Discuss your interests, ideas and opinions with other people who speak the language
- Learn more about countries where the language is spoken, and the people who speak it.

What can you do after you've completed the course?

People with language skills and knowledge usually have an advantage over people without them. They stand out as talented and successful people, with broader and more exciting horizons. Taking GCSE Spanish means you will:

- Add an extra dimension to your personal skills profile, which will impress anyone who reads your CV
- Be in a stronger position to get a job in companies with international links, or improve employability if you would like to work abroad
- Be able to work or study in a Spanish-speaking country in later life
- Be able to study AS and A level Spanish courses to further your knowledge of the language and culture
- Find it easier to learn other languages later if you want to.

What will I learn?

GCSE Spanish helps you explore a wide range of topics, from celebrations and festivals to international campaigns and events. It will also help you learn how to get by as a tourist speaking Spanish.. Over the course as a whole, you will learn about Spanish culture through a range of interesting topics which will add to your understanding of the language and country.

How will I be assessed? You will take four exams worth 25% each. You can take foundation or higher level, and you will be given a grade between 1 and 9, with 9 being the highest.

<p>Paper 1 Listening and understanding in Spanish Foundation (35 minutes) Higher (45 minutes) 50 marks 25%</p>	<p>Paper 2 Speaking in Spanish Foundation (7 -9 minutes) Higher (10 -12 minutes) 60 marks 25%</p>	<p>Paper 3 Reading and understanding in Spanish Foundation (45 minutes) Higher (60 minutes) 50 marks 25%</p>	<p>Paper 4 Writing in Spanish Foundation (70 minutes) Higher (80 minutes) 70 marks 25%</p>
<p>This paper will consist of multiple choice and short answer questions.</p>	<p>You will take part in a 3 part assessment: Role Play – allocated by Pearson Edexcel Picture Card – allocated by Pearson Conversation – Based on two themes. First theme chosen by the student in advance. Second theme allocated by Pearson</p>	<p>You will be assessed on understanding a variety of written Spanish including advertisements, emails, letters, articles and literary texts. An Spanish to English translation is included.</p>	<p>You will be required to produce responses of varying lengths and types to express ideas and opinions. An English to Spanish translation is included.</p>