

Course Name: Spanish

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If available online link to it (CLA): Please email Mrs Flatley for access

Recommended Reading:

- Giles Tremlett has been The Guardian's correspondent in Spain for over 20 years. His book "Ghosts of Spain" is a highly advisable compilation of articles to understand Spanish culture and contemporary history from the view of a non-Spanish reader.
- News and articles from online versions of newspapers such as El País, El Mundo, El Diario or ABC
- Centro Virtual Cervantes is the Spanish Institute's online platform. Some readings and activities to practice Spanish on: <https://cvc.cervantes.es/aula/lecturas/inicial/>

Relevant Websites:

LISTENING:

- Listen and watch short clips from the Spanish public broadcaster:
 - RNE, Radio Nacional de España: <https://www.rtve.es/alcarta/rne/>
 - TVE, Televisión Española: <https://www.rtve.es/alcarta/tve/la1/> (Spanish subtitles available)

- News in slow Spanish: Short news and podcasts at variable speed: <https://www.newsinslowspanish.com/>

GRAMMAR & VOCABULARY:

- GCSE Revision with BBC Bitesize. Work through their range of content and answer the task questions. Complete all grammar tasks so that GCSE grammar knowledge is well-embedded before the A-level course begins: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/z799hbk>

- Languages Online offers plenty of grammar and vocabulary activities for Years 12 & 13. You need to click “AS activities” or “A2 activities”: <https://www.languagesonline.org.uk/Hotpotatoes/spanishindex.html>

- Centro Virtual Cervantes offers activities to reinforce grammar, vocabulary and reading. Choose activities for “Nivel A2”: https://cvc.cervantes.es/ensenanza/actividades_ave/aveteca.htm

Spanish News

Select language ‘español’ and then choose from a wide variety of News videos. es.news.yahoo.com/

Follow the link to Video Noticias for three-minute news clips. es.noticias.yahoo.com/

Spanish TV channel websites:

Choose from the menu for the topic area you are interested in and then browse for video clips:

For news, browse for videos at:

Click on the link to TV “en directo” (live) and you will be able to watch the channel on streaming video.

For celebrity gossipes.celebrities.yahoo.com/

Click on “Perfiles de Famosos”

Spanish Radio on-line

Select a radio station from the list.

Easy listening music radio station for Spanish and English / American pop music. Spain.html

Selection of the most important radio channels

For reading;

The best place to start is the BBC’s languages web-pages. Choose the “reportajes” link to find articles from the former “Semanario Internet” with a variety of reading exercises. The articles are archived into topic areas that relate to the AS and A level syllabus.

Some of them include audio clips so you can base your listening task on the same topic.
 Spanish daily newspaper. The website gives you access to all of the day's news articles.
 Spanish daily newspaper. The website gives you access to the day's news articles although you may require a subscription to view the majority of the articles in full. es.news.yahoo.com/
 On-line Spanish daily news.
 On-line Spanish daily news.
 Spanish football website with related articles.
 Spanish celebrity gossip magazine. Subscription required to view some of the article
 (archive news) (sport)

Distance learning sites: e.g. Seneca, Quizlet, Memrise, just to keep your vocab up.

Youtube / videos?

Netflix offers a range of the most recent series in Spanish with English subtitles: "Money heist", "Elite", "House of flowers", "Cable Girls", "Locked up".

Radio Garden offers access to virtually any radio station in the World, including Spanish and South American ones: <http://radio.garden/>

Film: El Laberinto del Fauno by Guillermo del Toro. Watch it in Spanish with the English subtitles then watch it again with the Spanish subtitles!

Tasks:

1. Familiarise yourself with the following websites:

[Noticias de última hora, programas y series de televisión - RTVE.es](http://Noticias.de.ultima.hora.programas.y.series.de.televisión.-.RTVE.es)

Radio/TV website: listen/watch and try to pick out the main details from the news stories

[Audiria.com - Free Spanish Podcasts, Videos, Transcripts, Exercises and Vocabulary](http://Audiria.com)

Listening practice with transcripts

[Spanish Proficiency Exercises \(utexas.edu\)](http://Spanish.Proficiency.Exercises.utexas.edu)

Video listening practice with transcripts

2. Make sure you know all the verbs in the tables we used in Y11. You can use a website such as the one below to test yourself. **See also document in Student Library.**

[Home Page || Conjuguemos](#)

3. Prepare a detailed presentation about yourself (a speech, not a Powerpoint), which you can deliver to the rest of the group. You should include past, present and future tenses.

Please remember that you also have access to **Quizlet** and the **Language Gym** (please let me know if you need your password resetting), where you can do vocab and grammar practice.

1-Rellena los huecos con la información que falta.
(Fill in the table with the missing information)

<u>verbos</u>		<u>Presente</u>		<u>Pasado</u>		<u>Futuro</u>		<u>Condicional</u>	
Infinitivo	Significado	I	We	I	We	I	We	I	We
	<i>To go</i>		vamos	fui		iré		iría	
Hacer	<i>To do</i>		hacemos		hicimos		haremos		haríamos
	<i>To have</i>			tuve					tendríamos
Querer	<i>To want</i>		queremos		quisimos	querré			
Poder	<i>To be able to</i>			pude		podré		podría	podríamos
Deber	<i>To have to</i>	debo		debí		deberé		debería	
	<i>To wear/lead</i>		llevamos		llevamos	llevaré		llevaría	llevaríamos
	<i>To help</i>	ayudo		ayudé			ayudaremos		ayudaríamos
Comer		como				comeré		comería	
Beber	<i>To drink</i>		bebemos		bebimos			bebería	
Estudiar		estudio		estudié			estudiaremos		estudiaríamos
	<i>To swim</i>	nado					nadaremos		nadaríamos
Preferir			preferimos		preferimos				
Jugar		juego		jugué	jugamos		jugaremos		
	<i>To go out</i>		salimos	salí		saldré		saldría	
Ver			vemos		vimos		veremos		
	<i>To arrive</i>			llegué		llegaré		llegaría	llegaríamos
	<i>To relax</i>	descanso		descansé				Descansaría	

ALL these constructions below are followed by an infinitive. Translate them into English:

e.g. **Puedo** + infinitive → **Puedo hacer** (= I can do)

Prefiero + infinitive		Puedo + infinitive	
Me gusta + infinitive		Suelo + infinitive	
Me encanta + infinitive		Tengo ganas de + infinitive	
Odio + infinitive		Voy a + infinitive	
Evito + infinitive		Necesito + infinitive	
Sueño con + infinitive		Sé + infinitive	
Quiero + infinitive		Pienso + infinitive	
Intento + infinitive		Me interesa + infinitive	
Se puede + infinitive		Se debe + infinitive	
Hay que + infinitive		Es importante + infinitive	

Useful infinitives:

Dormir			To eat	Gastar	
	To work	Beber			To buy
Viajar			To receive	Esperar	
	To learn	Llegar			To read
Estudiar			To go out	(Son)reír	