



# GET READY TO STUDY A LEVEL SPANISH

If you are planning to study A Level Spanish with us in September, please review this document and complete the required activities. Please bring the completed activities with you at induction.

## FAQ

### **What specification will I study?**

You will be studying AQA A Level Spanish specification

Year 12 will focus around building fundamental grammar skills alongside 6 topics. You will also study a film in Y12

Year 13 will be consolidation of Y12 grammar, 6 topics and a book study

### **How many lessons will I have a week?**

You'll have 4 lessons a week, each lesson is 1 hours and 5 minutes

### **Who can I contact if I have a question about this subject?**

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### **What subjects go well with Art & Design?**

History, Law, English, Criminology, R.E

### **What grades should I have?**

In addition to the general sixth form entry requirements, learners must have grade 6 or above at GCSE

# WHAT WILL I STUDY?

## **In Year 1, you will study the following topics:**

Traditional and Modern Values

Cyberspace

Influence of Famous People

Regional Identity

Cultural Heritage

## **In Year 2, you will study the following topics:**

Immigration

Racism

Living together

Youth concerns

Monarchies and dictatorships

Popular Movements

# WHAT WILL I NEED?

To study the course you will need the following equipment:

Folders and dividers

File paper

Pens

Post it notes

Students also find it useful to have:

- Blank flashcards
- A whiteboard and whiteboard pens

We recommend all students buy a textbook and these can be purchased from the college at the start of term. Financial support is available for those who require it.

# FIND OUT MORE

These activities are to help broaden your understanding of the subject in preparation for studying this subject at an advanced level.

Careers	<a href="http://mezzoguild.com">7 Excellent Career Ideas For Language Learners (mezzoguild.com)</a>
Social Media	Brut Espana
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Further Reading / Useful websites	Kerboodle Rtve.es 20minutos.es Elpais.com Dailymotion.com/es Spanishdict.com Memrise.com Listen to Spanish music Try reading a short book in Spanish

# REQUIRED ACTIVITIES

It is important that all the required activities are completed in preparation for starting your course. Please bring these completed activities with you at induction.

Choosing your A Levels can be a challenge for some learners therefore if you are undecided around which subjects you are planning to study completing these activities will give yourself greater insight into the course to help ensure you have made the right choice.

## INDUCTION TASK

### Traducción

**Complete the translation without help to the best of your ability.**

**How family life in Spain has changed. Read this text to give you some background information.**

Spain has been a progressive country in terms of legalising same sex marriage. New laws have allowed same sex couples to have the same rights as heterosexual married couples. Same sex marriage is now an integral part of Spanish society and the fact that Spain is now more secular means more and more young people are choosing to have civil weddings rather than get married in a church. Young people go to church less than before and its role and importance in society is diminishing. Nonetheless, in all regions of Spain, lots of people still declare themselves Catholic and still prefer to get married in a traditional religious ceremony in a church. Just because the political system is secular doesn't mean that all citizens have changed their religious beliefs. Spain still remains, above all, a country that respects the Catholic faith.

**Translate this text into English**

La triste realidad en España es que las parejas se separan cada vez más. La tradición de los dichos matrimonios para toda la vida es del pasado. Cuando una pareja no funciona y hay una ruptura, la convivencia se hace imposible y lo más conveniente es divorciarse y hacerlo de la mejor y de la forma más rápido posible. La ley del divorcio se ha aprobado en España en 1981. Hasta en el año 2005, el modelo del divorcio se consideraba como un último recurso para esas parejas, que se hubieron separado y llevado un largo periodo de tiempo separados antes, se exigían al menos 2 años de separación antes de poder comenzar el proceso legal del divorcio. Al partir del año 2005, con una reforma importante la Ley del Divorcio pretende reflejar el valor de la libertad en el matrimonio y el divorcio exprés permite que los cónyuges no tengan que exponer ningún motivo para la ruptura. Como

antes, ya que es suficiente decir que quieren separarse. Con el divorcio exprés, dentro de tres meses se puede presentar todos los documentos, terminar los tramites y conseguir la anulación del matrimonio.

## **Actividad 2**

**Research the autonomous regions of Spain and answer the following questions:**

- 1. How many autonomous communities are in Spain?**
- 2. Which regions have a dual language?**
- 3. What is the flag of Andalucía?**
- 4. What happened in 2017 in Catalonia and why was this controversial?**
- 5. What is the largest region by population?**
- 6. Which is the wine growing region?**
- 7. Which region is famous for its paella?**
- 8. Which region is famous for its molinos?**
- 9. Which region has the only desert in Europe?**
- 10. In which region is Santiago de Compostela?**