

Spanish A Level



Exam Board: AQA

Why A Level Spanish?

An ability to learn a language will increase your confidence, independence, creativity and resourcefulness. Exploring other cultures broadens your horizons, enhances your understanding of your native culture and promotes cultural diversity. In the 21st century, being able to communicate in a foreign language is an asset, valued by both employers and universities and is an invaluable life-long skill.

Thinking and Life Skills you will develop:

- A wide range of effective communication skills
- Oral and written translation skills
- Enquiry skills involving research, information gathering, assessing and interpreting
- Analytical skills involving text analysis and understanding
- Problem-solving through manipulating language, reading and listening comprehension
- Independence in terms of managing workload and meeting deadlines
- Creativity through applying ideas in original and imaginative ways
- Increased cultural awareness and understanding.

What will you study?

The course will build on the linguistic skills you will have gained at GCSE and broaden your social, political, economic and cultural knowledge of the countries where that language is spoken. You will also experience a wider variety of topics relating to contemporary and lifestyle issues which will develop your language skills as you progress through the course. You will be presented with a range of authentic stimuli including film, video clips, music and interactive online resources and have access to listening and reading materials including exam-type questions, supported by vocabulary sheets and grammar activities.

University degrees that require or often prefer Spanish include:

Modern Foreign Language Degrees, European Language Studies, Linguistic Degrees, Leisure and Tourism, International Politics, Classical Studies.

Possible careers:

Accountancy, armed services, banking, business management (sales and marketing), civil service, commerce.

Entry requirements:

Minimum grade 6 in GCSE Spanish.



La literatura no es otra cosa que un sueño dirigido.

Literature is nothing more than a directed dream.

Jorge Luis Borges