

Spanish

A Level



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What is A Level Spanish?

The A Level Spanish course has been designed to be studied over two years. The approach is a focus on how Spanish-speaking society has been shaped socially and culturally and how it continues to change. In the first year, aspects of the social context are studied, together with aspects of the artistic life of Spanish-speaking countries. In the second year, further aspects of the social background are covered, this time focusing on matters associated with multiculturalism. Students also study aspects of the political landscape including the future of political life in the Hispanic world by focusing on young people and their political engagement.

What will I study?

Paper 1 – Listening, reading and writing

- Artistic culture in the Hispanic world
- Multiculturalism in Hispanic society
- Aspects of political life in Hispanic society
- Grammar

Paper 2 – Writing

- One text and one film or two texts from a specified list
- Grammar

Paper 3 – Speaking

- Presentation and discussion of individual research project
- One of four themes: aspects of Hispanic society, artistic culture in the Hispanic world, multiculturalism in Hispanic society or aspects of political life in Hispanic society

What entry requirements will I need?

In addition to the general entry requirements you will need a grade 6 in Spanish.

How will I be taught?

You will, through integrated study, focus on language, culture and society. The course will foster a range of transferable skills including communication, critical thinking, research skills and creativity, which are valuable to the individual and society.

How will I be assessed?

Paper 1: 2 hour and 30 minutes written paper response to listening and reading texts (50% of A Level)

Paper 2: 2 hour written paper (20% of the A Level)

Paper 3: 21–23 minutes oral exam – including 5 minutes preparation time (30% of the A Level)

What career opportunities does this open up?

The A Level Spanish qualification is suitable for students who wish to go on to further study, including a modern languages degree, or for those who wish to progress to employment. As companies expand their reach internationally, due to the rapid advancement of technology, the demand for Spanish-speaking employees is ever-increasing.