

# WHY IS SPANISH AN EXCELLENT CHOICE?



Studying Spanish A Level gives you a unique edge in today's competitive world. You will not only achieve fluency in a language spoken by over **580 million people**, but you will also open up **countless academic and professional opportunities**. From literature and history to international business and diplomacy, Spanish integrates seamlessly with any field of study. A language goes with everything!

## ALL IN ONE

Get ready to explore the amazing world of Spanish A Level! This course covers a **wide range of topics**, making sure you have well-rounded and engaging experience. You'll dive into:

- \* HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY
- \* LITERATURE
- \* POLITICS
- \* CULTURE
- \* SOCIETY AND LIFESTYLES

## SUMMER WORK

### GRAMMAR

A booklet to consolidate tenses, basic and advanced grammatical structures studied in GCSE.

### VOCABULARY

A list of words studied in GCSE. This will prepare you to participate in class, engage with readings and written assignments and progress more quickly.

### CULTURAL RESEARCH

You will have to research and prepare a fact-sheet on one of the following topics:

- The concept of family in Spain
- The influence of the Catholic religion
- Spanish-speaking idols
- Spanish regional identity)

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# A LEVEL SPANISH



# THE COURSE STRUCTURE

Spanish A Level is divided into **four themes**. 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

## SOCIAL ISSUES AND TRENDS



- Modern and traditional values
- Cyberspace
- Equal rights



- Immigration
- Racism
- Integration

## ARTISTIC AND POLITICAL CULTURE

- ARTISTIC CULTURE
- Modern day idols
- Spanish regional identity
- Cultural heritage

- POLITICS
- Today's youth
- Monarchies and dictatorships
- Social movements & protests

## LITERARY WORK & FILM

In A-Level you will also study a literary work and a film. These will be connected with one or several topics studied during the course.

*La Casa de Bernarda Alba*  
by Federico Garcia Lorca



- Traditional values
- The role of women
- The role of family

*Ocho apellidos vascos*  
by Emilio Martínez-Lázaro



- Regional identity
- Modern vs traditional values
- Today's youth

You will choose a topic or key question related to a Spanish-speaking country that interests you. You must gather relevant information in Spanish from various sources, including the internet. The goal is to develop research skills by:

- Selecting and analysing information.
- Summarizing findings.
- Presenting and discussing your research in the speaking assessment.

The topic can be linked to the themes or works studied in the course, but it must be different from the text or film used. Each student should select a unique subject for their research.

## INDIVIDUAL RESEARCH PROJECT

### PAPER 2: WRITING

- What's assessed:**
- Aspects of Hispanic society
  - Artistic culture in the Hispanic world
  - Multiculturalism in Hispanic society
  - Aspects of political life in Hispanic society
  - Grammar
- How it's assessed:**
- Written exam: 2 hours 30 minutes
  - 100 marks
  - 50% of A-Level

- What's assessed:**
- A literary text
  - A film

**How it's assessed:**

- Written exam: 2 hours
- Writing an analytical response (300 words)
- 80 marks
- 20% of A-Level

### PAPER 3: SPEAKING

**What's assessed:**

- Individual research project
- One of the four themes

**How it's assessed:**

- Oral exam: 21-23 minutes (5 minutes for preparation)
- Discussion of a theme
- Presentation of IRP and discussion on it
- 60 marks
- 30% of A-Level

## HOW IS IT ASSESSED?

### PAPER 1: LISTENING, READING AND WRITING.

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