



A Level Spanish

Entry Requirements

You need a minimum of a grade 6 (7 preferred) in GCSE Spanish to study Spanish at A Level

Exam Board

We follow the AQA course. More details can be found [here](#).

What does the course involve?

In Year 12, you will study the following topics:

Theme 1: Aspects of Hispanic society

1. Modern and traditional values
2. Cyberspace
3. Equal rights

Theme 2: Artistic culture in the Hispanic world

1. Modern day idols
2. Spanish regional identity
3. Cultural heritage

You also study a film (*Volver* by Pedro Almodóvar or *El laberinto del fauno* by Guillermo del Toro)

In Year 13, you will study the following topics:

Theme 3: Multiculturalism in Hispanic society

1. Immigration
2. Racism
3. Integration

Theme 4: Aspects of political life in the Hispanic world

1. Today's youth, tomorrow's citizens
2. Monarchies and dictatorships
3. Popular movements

In addition to the film studied in Year 12, you will study a book (either the short novel *Requiem por un campesino español* or the play *Las bicicletas son para el verano*), and you will also do an individual research project which will then form part of your speaking exam.

How is the course assessed?

At the end of Year 13, you will take the following exams:

- Listening, reading and writing paper (50%)
- Writing paper (20%)
- Speaking exam (30%)

What can an A Level in Spanish lead to?

An A Level in Spanish will go well with any combination of subjects at university. It will also make it easier for you to consider studying abroad, which could be a much cheaper option to consider. Having an A Level in Spanish will also open many doors to you after school and university and will be hugely valued by employers, whether or not you end up directly using your language skills.

If you do want to pursue languages as a career, there are lots of things you can go on to do. Here are just a few examples: translation and interpreting services, marketing & sales, journalism & broadcasting, tourism & hospitality, diplomatic services, civil service, international business & finance, international law or publishing.

