

MFL - SPANISH

QUALIFICATION	GCSE
EXAMINING BOARD	AQA
CONTACT TEACHER	Mrs Bates
LESSONS PER FORTNIGHT	5

Assessment

Overview			
Paper 1	Paper 1 Listening (Foundation or Higher)	25%	End of Y11
Paper 2	Paper 2 Speaking (Foundation or Higher)	25%	End of Y11
Paper 3	Paper 3 Reading (Foundation or Higher)	25%	End of Y11
Paper 4	Paper 4 Writing (Foundation or Higher)	25%	End of Y11

Listening

- Understanding and responding to different types of spoken language.
- Questions and answers in English and in Spanish.
- 35 minutes (Foundation Tier) and 45 minutes (Higher Tier).

Speaking

- Communicating and interacting effectively for different purposes.
- Role-Play, Photo-Card and General Conversation.
- 7-9 minutes (Foundation Tier) and 10-12 minutes (Higher Tier).

Reading

- Understanding and responding to different types of written language.
- Questions and answers in English and in Spanish including a translation into English.
- 45 minutes (Foundation Tier) and 60 minutes (Higher Tier).

Writing

- Communicating effectively in writing for a variety of purposes.
- Including translation into Spanish.
- 60 minutes (Foundation Tier) and 75 minutes (Higher Tier).

Course Overview

You will be adding an international dimension to your GCSE subjects by studying GCSE Spanish. You will develop your knowledge and understanding of the language including learning vocabulary and grammar rules as well as gaining more cultural knowledge of Spanish-speaking countries.

You will also develop better memory and literacy skills and improve your ability to understand spoken and written Spanish as well as being able to communicate effectively in Speaking and Writing.

During the GCSE course you will be able to develop and practice valuable, transferable skills for the future and, as a result, make yourself more employable as well as widening your choice of future opportunities.

What you will learn?

Theme 1	Theme 2.	Theme 3.
Identity and Culture	Local, national, international and global areas of Interest	Current and Future Study and Employment
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Me, my family and friends. • Technology in everyday life. • Free-time activities. • Customs and Festivals in Spanish-speaking countries. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Home, town and region. • Social Issues. • Global Issues. • Travel and Tourism. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • My Studies. • Life at school/college. • Education post-16. • Jobs, career choices and ambitions.



Careers and Pathways

- A Level in Spanish.
- Translating/Interpreting
- Travel and tourism
- Teaching
- Medicine
- Finance/business

What students say

Positives:

“The topics you learn are useful for when we visit Spain on our trip in Year 10. You get to find out a lot of interesting information about cultural differences.”

Be aware of:

“It’s quite a lot of work. You need to learn your vocabulary homework words every week and the Higher tier exam papers are quite demanding.”

Qualities needed to do well:

“You need to have an interest in learning a different language and understand why it’s important. You need to be hard-working and committed.”