



St John's Curriculum Overview – Year 12



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| Subject title | Spanish | Introduction We offer a 1-year course leading to an AS qualification, which can be taken alongside three other A-levels (or equivalent.) We also offer a 2-year A-level course, which shares Year 12 with the AS course. Students will build on their subject knowledge from GCSE. They will learn Spanish within the context of issues relating to Spain and other Hispanic countries. They will also study a film in Spanish and learn how to write about a film. Assessment tasks will include reading, writing, listening and speaking as well as weekly vocab tests and verb tests. |
| Setting arrangements | A class of mixed prior attainment by option choice | |
| Time allowance each fortnight | 9 or 8 lessons | |

Topics, Skills and Assessment covered during the course

| Term | Topics covered | Skills | Assessment |
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| Term 1 | Modern and traditional values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changes in the family • Attitudes towards marriage and divorce • The influence of the Catholic church Cyberspace <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The influence of the internet • Smart phones in our society • Social media- benefits and dangers | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using expressions • Pros and cons • Idiomatic expressions with personal verbs | Translation Verb tests Vocab tests End of topic test |
| Term 2 | Sex equality <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Women in the workplace • Machismo and feminism • Transgender and Gay rights Singers and musicians <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Singers and musicians • Stars of TV and Cinema • Models | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Translation skills • Listening for gist and detail • Recognising words ending in -ity • Use connectives to improve written work. • Improve translations into Spanish | Translation Verb tests Vocab tests End of topic test Résumé writing |

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| Term 3 | Regional Spanish Identity. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Customs and traditions • Gastronomy • Languages Study of a Film (<i>Maria, llena eres de gracia</i>) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listening skills • Break down comprehension tasks • Recognise irregular endings: nouns ending in –ma. • Gap fills Essay writing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using technical lexis • Listening for detail • Justifying opinions | Translation Verb tests Vocab tests End of topic test |
| Term 4 | Cultural Heritage <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Historical sites and prehispanic civilisations • Art and Architecture • Musical heritage Study of a Film (<i>Maria, llena eres de gracia</i>) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Résumé writing • Using persuasive language • Essay writing | Translation Verb tests Vocab tests Essay on the film Mock AS speaking tests AS Mocks Papers 1 and 2 |
| Term 5 | Revision of topics and oral practice | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exam technique | Translation Verb and Vocab tests AS Speaking Exam AS Exams Papers 1 and 2 Yr12 Speaking exam |
| Term 6 | Study of a book (La Casa de Bernarda Alba) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analysis of character, themes and writing techniques Aspects of a diverse society <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Benefits and negative aspects • Immigration • Living in a multi-cultural society | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using strategies for gist comprehension • Pronouncing loanwords | Yr 12 Exams – listening, reading, writing & translation Verb and Vocab tests Translations End of Topic Tests |

Resources Recommended for Revision and where they are available:

- AQA Kerboodle online text book including online resources – students have a log in & password details
- AQA AS level Spanish Grammar & Translation workbook is available to purchase online. Answers available in workbook.
- Online resources like RFI SAVOIRS
- Classroom teachers will happily provide any other past paper questions or revision activities if requested.

Homework

- Students need to put time aside weekly to learn vocabulary and irregular verbs thoroughly.

- Additional learning tasks will take the form of specific listening, reading & grammar tasks (possibly from Kerboodle), preparation of speaking answers and essays. Students are expected to spend at least 4-5 hours per week on set tasks, and to follow up classwork in order to make consistent progress.

Additional support and help for the course

- Vocabulary lists and additional resources will be uploaded weekly to ‘Show My Homework’ and quizlet by class teacher

Extra-Curricular

- Study trip to Spain planned for autumn, subject to numbers.
- One to one speaking with native Spanish speakers, if volunteers are available
- Spanish theatre possible, if relevant play is being shown