

Subject: Spanish

Qualification: GCSE

Exam Board: AQA

Specification Code: 8692



Who is the course for?



This course is ideal for students interested in exploring a modern foreign language and its cultural aspects. It develops their ability to communicate in Spanish and understand the diversity of Spanish-speaking countries. The qualification adds an international perspective to GCSEs, highly valued by employers and higher education institutions. Achieving a grade 5 or above in GCSE Spanish counts towards the English Baccalaureate.

What will I learn?

The new AQA GCSE Spanish specification is structured into three overarching themes:

1. **Identity and Culture**

Topics: Me, my family and friends; technology in everyday life; free-time activities; customs and festivals in Spanish-speaking countries.

2. **Local, National, International, and Global Areas of Interest**

Topics: Home, town, neighbourhood and region; social and global issues; travel and tourism.

3. **Current and Future Study and Employment**

Topics: My studies; life at school/college; education post-16; jobs, career choices, and ambitions.

The specification integrates cultural and linguistic elements, including **Dictation** and **Reading Aloud** tasks to enhance listening and pronunciation skills.

How will I be assessed?



Assessment is based on four equally weighted skills:

- **Listening (25%)**: End-of-course exam.
- **Speaking (25%)**: Includes role-play, photocard discussion, and general conversation, assessed in controlled conditions.
- **Reading (25%)**: Includes comprehension tasks, translation from Spanish to English, and new cultural reading components.
- **Writing (25%)**: Includes structured writing tasks, translation from English to Spanish, and creative writing components.

How can I progress with this qualification?

