



SPANISH A LEVEL – SUMMER ASSIGNMENT



1. Complete the following two tasks IN SPANISH. You should write a minimum of 100 words on each part.

TASKS 1

Why have you decided to study Spanish at A Level and why is learning a foreign language important?

TASKS 2

Research one aspect of Spanish or Latin American culture that interests you (e.g. an artist, a musician, food customs, a sport, a festival or a tradition, a place), and explain why you think it is important to know about it.

Be prepared in the first lesson to discuss your ideas with your classmates. Suggested structures to use:

2. During the course you will need to take a broad interest in what is happening in Spain and Latin American countries in order to enhance your language skills and your knowledge of Hispanic culture. Get into the habit now by exploring what is available. In your first week be prepared to share with the class an activity connected to Spain or a Latin American country that you have done in your holidays. For example, you could....

✓ Watch a Spanish or Latin American film / TV series

A.

- ✓ He decidido estudiar español porque.... (I have decided to study Spanish because...)
- ✓ Es importante aprender un idioma extranjero porque / para... (it's important to learn a foreign language because / in order to ...)

B.

- ✓ Lo que me gusta sobre todo de España (o de un país en Latinamerica) es (what interests me particularly about Spain / or a country in Latin America is...)
- ✓ Una de las cosas que me interesa de España (o un país en Latinamerica) es(one of the things that interests me about Spain – or a country in Latin America is...)

- ✓ Read a Spanish newspaper or magazine (i.e. www.elpais.com check the web for more)
- ✓ Sign up and find a Spanish pen pal: <https://www.language-exchanges.org/>

Be prepared to say what you did (Durante mis vacaciones de verano leí / vi...) and what you thought of it (me gustó mucho...porque...)

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2. Learn the 6 regular verb endings in the present, simple past and future of the regular verbs: **hablar, comer, vivir** and complete the tables for the verbs below.

AR ending verbs Hablar - to speak		Present Tense Presente	Simple past Tense Pretérito indefinido	Future Tense Futuro
I	yo	hablo	hablé	hablaré
you (singular)	tú	hablas	hablaste	hablarás
he/she/you polite	él/ella/usted	habla	habló	hablará
we	nosotros/nosotras	hablamos	hablamos	hablaremos
you plural	vosotros/vosotras	habláis	hablásteis	hablaréis
they plural and you polite plural	ellos/ellas/ustedes	hablan	hablaron	hablarán

Complete all the forms of the verb: Bailar- to dance		Present Tense Presente	Simple past Tense Pretérito indefinido	Future Tense Futuro
I	yo			
you (singular)	tú			
he/she/you polite	él/ella/usted			
we	nosotros/nosotras			
you plural	vosotros/vosotras			
they plural and you polite plural	ellos/ellas/ustedes			

ER ending verbs Comer - to eat		Present Tense Presente	Simple past Tense Pretérito indefinido	Future Tense Futuro
I	yo	como	comí	comeré
you (singular)	tú	comes	comiste	comerás
he/she/you polite	él/ella/usted	come	comió	comerá
we	nosotros/nosotras	comemos	comimos	comeremos
you plural	vosotros/vosotras	coméis	comísteis	comeréis
they plural and you polite plural	ellos/ellas/ustedes	comen	comieron	comerán

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Complete all the forms of the verb: Beber - to drink		Present Tense Presente	Simple past Tense Pretérito indefinido	Future Tense Futuro
I	yo			
you (singular)	tú			
he/she/you polite	él/ella/usted			
we	nosotros/nosotras			
you plural	vosotros/vosotras			
they plural and you polite plural	ellos/ellas/ustedes			

IR ending verbs Vivir – to live		Present Tense Presente	Simple past Tense Pretérito indefinido	Future Tense Futuro
I	yo	vivo	viví	viviré
you (singular)	tú	vives	viviste	vivirás
he/she/you polite	él/ella/usted	vive	vivió	vivirá
we	nosotros/nosotras	vivimos	vivimos	viviremos
you plural	vosotros/vosotras	vivís	vivisteis	viviréis
they plural and you polite plural	ellos/ellas/ustedes	viven	vivieron	vivirán

Complete all the forms of the verb: Escribir – to write		Present Tense Presente	Simple past Tense Pretérito indefinido	Future Tense Futuro
I	yo			
you (singular)	tú			
he/she/you polite	él/ella/usted			
we	nosotros/nosotras			
you plural	vosotros/vosotras			
they plural and you polite plural	ellos/ellas/ustedes			

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4. Make sure you are able to conjugate the present tense of the following common irregular verbs with confidence:

to be (ser/estar), to have (haber/tener), to do/make (hacer), to go (ir), to come (venir), to be able (poder), to want (querer), to say (decir), to go out (salir).

You will be expected to know these verbs when you start your course.

During the summer holidays revise and practice the tenses you have studied during your GCSE course as well as your GCSE vocabulary.

Useful for revision:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/spanish/>

Useful for grammar:

<http://www.personal.colby.edu/~bknelson/SLC/index.php>

(it includes verb conjugation charts).

<https://studyspanish.com/grammar>

Useful for grammar and culture:

<http://www.ver-taal.com/> (all levels; also very good to revise vocabulary).