



Spanish GCSE
Curriculum



WJEC/Educas GCSE Spanish

Introduction

This document outlines the curriculum for the Spanish GCSE course (WJEC Board) offered by LWSF. The course is designed to equip students with a strong foundation in the Spanish language and culture, enabling them to communicate effectively and confidently in various contexts.

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Aims

The primary objectives of this course are to:

- Develop students' ability to communicate fluently and accurately in Spanish, both orally and in writing.
- Enhance students' understanding of Spanish-speaking cultures and societies.
- Foster students' skills in listening, speaking, reading, and writing Spanish.
- Encourage students to develop a lifelong interest in the Spanish language and culture.
- Prepare students for the WJEC Spanish GCSE examination.

What The Student Will Learn

Language Skills

Students will develop their proficiency in:

- Understanding: Comprehending spoken and written Spanish in a variety of contexts, including formal and informal situations.
- Speaking: Communicating effectively in Spanish, expressing ideas clearly and coherently, and engaging in conversations.
- Reading: Reading and understanding a range of Spanish texts, including literary works, articles, and advertisements.
- Writing: Producing clear and well-structured written texts in Spanish, such as essays, letters, and reports.
- Grammar: Mastering the rules of Spanish grammar, including verb conjugations, tenses, and sentence structure.
- Vocabulary: Acquiring and using a wide range of vocabulary related to various topics, such as family, school, hobbies, and current affairs.



Cultural Understanding

Students will gain insights into:

- Spanish-speaking countries: Exploring the geography, history, traditions, and customs of Spanish-speaking countries.
- Spanish culture: Understanding the values, beliefs, and social norms of Spanish-speaking societies.
- Contemporary issues: Discussing and analysing current events and social issues in the Spanish-speaking world.

How We Teach the Course

We employ a variety of teaching methods to make learning Spanish engaging and effective:

- Communicative language teaching: Students will practice speaking and listening in class through role-plays, discussions, and presentations.
- Grammar-based instruction: Students will learn and apply grammatical rules through exercises and drills.
- Authentic materials: Students will use real-world materials, such as newspapers, magazines, and films, to develop their language skills.
- Cultural immersion: Students will be exposed to Spanish culture through activities such as watching Spanish films, listening to Spanish music, and learning / talking about Spanish holidays.

Assessment

Students will be assessed through a combination of written and oral examinations. The final GCSE written examinations will assess students' understanding of grammar, vocabulary, and reading comprehension. The oral examination will evaluate students' ability to communicate effectively in Spanish through speaking and listening.



Additional Learning Opportunities

To enhance language learning, students are encouraged to:

- Watch Spanish films and TV programmes.
- Eat out in Spanish restaurants.
- Listen to Spanish music.
- Read Spanish books and magazines.
- Participate in family organised trips to Spanish-speaking countries.

By immersing themselves in the Spanish language and culture, students will develop a strong foundation for future language learning.

Evaluation and Review

The curriculum will be reviewed annually to ensure its effectiveness and alignment with the boards' defined curriculum. Feedback from students, teachers, and parents will be considered in the review process.

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