

Thomas Deacon Academy Sixth Form -

Spanish A Level

Programme of Study

Exam Board: AQA
100% Examination
Paper 1: 50%
Paper 2: 20%
Paper 3: 30%

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| Target Grade | |
| Aspirational Grade | |

The 'Helicopter overview' of Spanish A Level

Paper 1:
Listening,
Reading and
Writing

Aspects of Hispanic Society:
social issues and trends

Aspects of Culture in the Hispanic
World

Aspects of Political Life in the
Hispanic World

Grammar

Assessment:
Listening and Reading Questions
(answers in Spanish)
Translation

2 hours 30 / 100 marks / 50% of A Level

Paper 2:
Writing

One question in Spanish on a set text and one question in
Spanish on a set film or two questions in Spanish on topics
(approx. 300 words per essay)

2 hours 180 marks / 20% of A level

Paper 3:
Speaking

Part 1: Individual Research Project:
Presentation of a presentation on a chosen topic (approx. 10-15 minutes)
(15 marks/15%)

Part 2: Discussion of a sub-theme based on a stimulus card
(5-6 minutes) (25 marks)

15 minutes / 60 marks / 30% of A level

Your Assessment Objectives:

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| AO1 Listening | Understand and respond: • in speech to spoken language including face-to-face interaction • in writing to spoken language drawn from a variety of sources. |
| AO2 Reading | Understand and respond: • in speech to written language drawn from a variety of sources |
| AO3 Language | • in writing to written language drawn from a variety of sources. Manipulate the language accurately, in spoken and written forms, using a range of lexis and structure. |
| AO4 Knowledge | Show knowledge and understanding of, and respond critically and analytically to, different aspects of the culture and society of countries/communities where the language is spoken. |

Your Key Topics over the Course:

| Aspects of Hispanic society: | |
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| Students may study all sub-themes in relation to any Spanish-speaking country or countries. | |
| Modern and traditional values (Los valores tradicionales y modernos) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Los cambios en la familia • Actitudes hacia el matrimonio/el divorcio • La influencia de la Iglesia Católica |
| Cyberspace (El ciberespacio) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • La influencia de internet • Las redes sociales: beneficios y peligros • Los móviles inteligentes en nuestra sociedad |
| Equal rights (La igualdad de los sexos) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • La mujer en el mercado laboral • El machismo y el feminismo • Los derechos de los gays y las personas transgénero |
| Multiculturalism in Hispanic society: | |
| Students may study all sub-themes in relation to any Spanish-speaking country or countries. | |
| Immigration (La inmigración) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Los beneficios y los aspectos negativos • La inmigración en el mundo hispánico • Los indocumentados – problemas |
| Racism (El racismo) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Las actitudes racistas y xenófobas • Las medidas contra el racismo • La legislación anti-racista |
| Integration (La convivencia) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • La convivencia de culturas • La educación • Las religiones |

Artistic culture in the Hispanic world

Students must study the sub-theme Spanish regional identity in relation to Spain.

Students may study the remaining sub-themes in relation to any Spanish-speaking country or countries.

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| Modern day idols (La influencia de los ídolos) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cantantes y músicos• Estrellas de televisión y cine• Modelos |
| Spanish regional identity (La identidad regional en España) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tradiciones y costumbres• La gastronomía• Las lenguas |
| Cultural heritage (El patrimonio cultural) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sitios turísticos y civilizaciones prehispánicas: Machu Picchu, la Alhambra, etc• Arte y arquitectura• El patrimonio musical y su diversidad |

Aspects of political life in the Hispanic world

Students must study Monarchies and dictatorships in relation to any relevant Spanish-speaking country. Students may study the remaining sub-themes in relation to any Spanish-speaking country or countries.

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| Today's youth, tomorrow's citizens (Jóvenes de hoy, ciudadanos del mañana) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Los jóvenes y su actitud hacia la política : activismo o apatía• El paro entre los jóvenes• Su sociedad ideal |
| Monarchies and dictatorships (Monarquías y dictaduras) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• La dictadura de Franco• La evolución de la monarquía en España• Dictadores latinoamericanos |
| Popular movements (Movimientos populares) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• La efectividad de las manifestaciones y las huelgas• El poder de los sindicatos• Ejemplos de protestas sociales (eg. El 15-M, las Madres de la Plaza de Mayo, ...) |

Top Study Tips:

- Interesting news articles to support your independent study
- Have two Lever Arch Folders – one for each teacher
- Use file divides to organise each topic. File your notes carefully each week – remember to date classwork, so you remember the sequence of each lesson. This will make revision easier.
- Add new vocab to memrise/quizlet at the end of each week
- Type up class notes and add to them. At the same time keep revisiting work and topics.
- This is a great way to consolidate your knowledge, commit things to memory and make your knowledge deeper.
- Do not simply file away and forget. Routinely go over last term / year's work.
- Read news articles in Spanish each week and use these to practise summary and translation tasks
- <http://www.20minutos.com/> <http://www.elmundo.es/> <https://elpais.com/>