

# A Level Spanish



## Why this subject?

'A' Level Spanish students will study technological and social change, looking at the multicultural nature of Hispanic society. They will study highlights of Hispanic artistic culture, including a focus on Spanish regional identity and the cultural heritage of past civilisations. They will learn about aspects of the diverse political landscape of the Hispanic world. Students will explore the influence of the past on present-day Hispanic communities. An 'A' level in Spanish can lead to a range of exciting and fulfilling degree courses and careers and can provide students with transferable skills, valued by employers.

## Course Outline

### Year 12 Themes

#### Aspects of Hispanic Society

- Modern and traditional values
- Cyberspace
- Equal rights

#### Artistic culture in the Hispanic World

- Modern day idols (music and cinema)
- Spanish regional identity
- Cultural heritage

#### Film/Book study

### Year 13 Themes

#### Multiculturalism in Hispanic Society

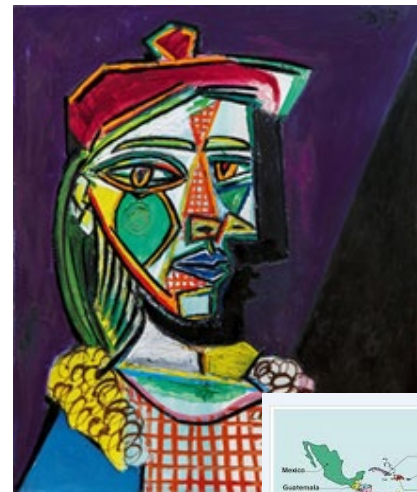
- Immigration
- Racism
- Integration

#### Aspects of political life in the Hispanic World

- Teenagers, the right to vote & political commitment
- Monarchies and Dictatorships
- Popular movements

#### Book study

#### Independent Research Project



### Key Information

Exam Board	AQA
Qualification Type	A Level
Entry Requirements	A Level Pathway. Level 7+ in GCSE Spanish
Head of Department	Miss Moss

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## Assessment Outline

### A Level : Three papers

#### Paper 1

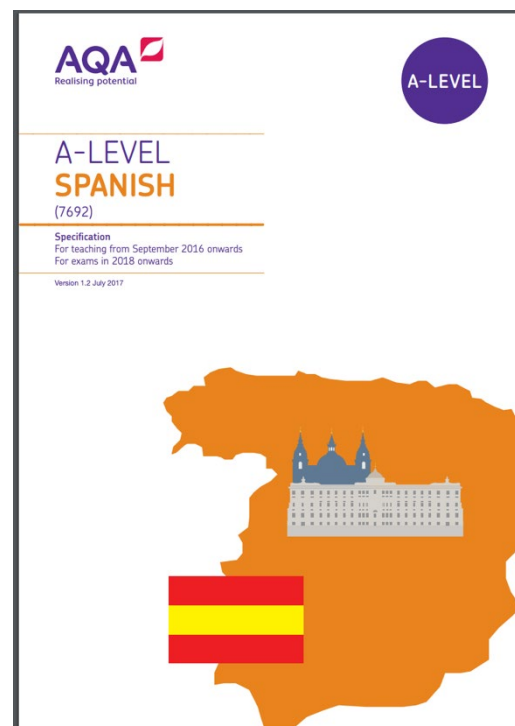
Listening, reading and writing. 2 hours 30 minutes with 100 marks and 50% of A Level. Responding to spoken and written stimulus, summaries, translation into English.

#### Paper 2

Writing (Film and Book) 2 hours with 80 marks and worth 20% of A Level. Essay question on film and book and translation into Spanish.

#### Paper 3

Speaking (All Themes from A Level course and Independent Research Project). 21-23 minutes, 60 marks, 30% of A Level. One roleplay and a presentation on the Research Project with 5 minutes preparation time before the exam.



## Careers and next steps

There are a variety of degree courses at universities which allow students to build upon the 'A' level in Spanish, either exclusively by studying a degree purely in Spanish or by combining Spanish with another language (including the possibility of starting a new one from scratch) or with a number of other subjects such as, for example, Maths, Business, Music, Law, to name but a few. It is important to research the type of courses available as many may also offer the opportunity to spend some time in a Spanish-speaking country as part of the course, too. Languages studied to 'A' level and beyond can open doors to a wide range of careers such as teaching, translation, interpreting, publishing, journalism, marketing, retail, hospitality, tourism, politics, diplomats, media, as well as being a valued and sought-after skill by many employers.