

GIS Sixth Form

Spanish

Edexcel XSP01 (IAS) / YSP01 (IAL)



In this course, students will have the opportunity to study inspiring and engaging themes providing clear links to some of the most fundamental and interesting aspects of the culture of the target language country and communities. They will develop knowledge and learn to discuss and write about a popular film, together with authentic source materials from Spain and the wider Spanish-speaking world.

• IAS Topics

Youth matters
Lifestyle, health and fitness
Environment and travel
Education and employment

• IAL Topics

Technology in the Spanish-speaking world
Society in the Spanish-speaking world
Ethics in the Spanish-speaking world

This course particularly suits students who have enjoyed Spanish at IGCSE but are looking for a greater level of challenge. These students understand that the recompense for their effort and dedication is the significant improvement of their employability and overall life prospects by studying one of the world's most prominent languages and embracing a vibrant and varied culture.

Assessment Overview

- ✓ 100% Exam
- ✓ Speaking communication skills are assessed separately in Unit 1 (IAS) and Unit 3 (IA2). Overall, speaking accounts for 30% of your grade (15% in IAS and 15% in IA2).
- ✓ Listening, reading and writing skills are assessed in Unit 2 (IAS) and Unit 4 (IA2). Overall, LRW accounts for 70% of your grade (35% in AS and 35% in A2).
- ✓ Your grade is cumulative (whatever you get in AS + whatever you get in A2).

Studying Spanish at this level is honestly amazing - you don't just widen your vocabulary and work on improving your current grammar skills, you are also encouraged to learn more about Spanish culture and history! The topics we study are truly important for the world of today and the course provides many transferable skills such as public speaking.

Laura and Isabella, Year 13 Students

Estar preparado es la mitad de la victoria.

Miguel de Cervantes

UNIVERSITY STUDY

Apart from the obvious choices of a single or combined language degree (e.g. BA Spanish) there is a multitude of degree courses for which having an A Level in any World Language would be considered a distinct advantage as they are highly regarded for their academic rigour and the wide range of analytical and communication skills they bring to those who study them. Spanish is often offered in combination with other in-demand subjects such as Medicine, Economics or Law, so having Spanish A Level can reduce competition and give students a significant advantage for university places, as well as opening opportunities for studying abroad.

ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Latin American film trips
- Spanish tapas meal
- Visits by guest speakers from all over the Spanish speaking world
- Opportunity to meet and converse with other Spanish students in KL at a KS5 study day.

WIDER READING



20minutos.es

Interesting articles and
videoclips in Spanish

bbc.com/mundo

World news in Spanish

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verbs drills, and links to helpful sites



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