

Spanish



at RHB Sixth Form

Spanish is acknowledged as one of the most *widely used* languages around the world. Studying A Level Spanish allows students to gain deep understanding of the *culture* and *community* of those who speak Spanish through the study of *literature, cinema, politics, culture, media*, and more. The course will *enhance* your communication capabilities, including listening, speaking, reading, and writing, as well as translating between languages. It also aims to refine language proficiency to read and critically evaluate a book and film in Spanish.

"I have found that studying Spanish at A Level has really extended my views on the world as a whole. I love learning Spanish as I feel that it is a completely different way of learning than my other subjects and gives me an opportunity to be creative with my studies."

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COURSE OUTLINE

The AQA A Level Spanish course provides an in-depth exploration of the Spanish language and its cultural contexts. It focuses two main areas: Social Issues and Trends, and Political and Artistic Culture. Students are assessed in listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills and carry out a research project on a topic of choice related to Spanish culture. The course also includes the study of a literary text and a film, fostering critical thinking. By the end of the course, students gain a profound understanding of Hispanic society and culture, equipping them for further education or careers requiring Spanish proficiency.

By the end of the course, you will be able to speak Spanish with confidence and fluency and be able to use your language skills at a high level, for example in the workplace, at further study in higher education or on a placement year abroad as part of a degree course.

Listening, Reading and Writing Paper (50%)

Writing Paper (20%)

Writing about the film and text studied.

Oral (30%)

Discussion of a topic and an individual research project.

IS THIS THE RIGHT COURSE FOR ME?

You will enjoy studying Spanish at A Level if you are passionate about exploring the culture of the Spanish-speaking world and developing your written and spoken communication skills.

WHERE COULD THIS COURSE TAKE ME?

Further Education

RHB Spanish students have recently gone on to study exciting and varied degree courses such as: Spanish and Politics at Edinburgh University; Modern Languages at Leeds University; Spanish and Arabic at University of Exeter; Law with Hispanic Law at Leeds; Spanish and Economics at Cardiff and International Relations and Modern Languages University of Exeter.



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Careers

Apart from a wide range of careers that use languages directly (business, politics, law, teaching, travel, interpreting/ translating), the other skills developed during A Level Spanish are directly transferable in other areas. These skills include communication, flexibility, global awareness, and a rigorous and detailed approach to study. Learning Spanish opens up huge possibilities for travel and business in Spain, South America and Central America as well as in some important areas in the USA. The ability to communicate at a higher level in Spanish will give you the confidence to explore any career in the Spanish-speaking world.

ENRICHMENT

Learning about the culture of the Hispanic world is a fundamental part of the course and students will explore this through music, art and literature. Students in the Sixth Form have the opportunity to join us for enrichment opportunities such as film and theatre performances, along with tapas! There will also be the chance to join us on a study trip to Spain.

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