

# GCSE Spanish



## Exam Board

AQA

## Overview

Foreign language skills, for both work and leisure, have become vital in the 21st century. Knowledge of a Modern Foreign Language, however minimal, opens doors to whole new cultures, continents and careers. Furthermore, GCSE qualifications in modern languages are very highly valued indeed by Sixth Form. colleges, universities and employers.

## Course Structure

Students study three themes over the two year course. These are: Identity and culture, Local, national, international and global areas of interest and Current and Future study and employment.

## Assessment

You will be assessed in the 4 key skills.

**Listening - examination** in May/June in Year 11— **25%** of the marks.

**Speaking - examination** in May/June in Year 11— **25%** of the marks.

**Reading - examination** in May/June in Year 11— **25%** of the marks.

**Writing - examination** in May/June in Year 11— **25%** of the marks.

## Career Opportunities

Languages boost your career prospects. Communicating in other languages is becoming more and more essential for people in the UK. Despite popular belief, not everyone worldwide speaks English or speaks it confidently. Speaking another language improves your chances of finding an interesting and often well-paid job and is very useful for communicating with colleagues abroad.

## Further information From:

See the AQA website for more information on the course and to download the course specification: <http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/gcse/spanish-8698>

For resources see: [www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/spanish](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/spanish) or have a look at GCSE POD.

For an online dictionary see [www.wordreference.com](http://www.wordreference.com)

