

## GCSE Spanish Y11

Pupils study the Edexcel GCSE course. This is a tiered exam, so pupils are entered for either Foundation tier (Grades 1-5) or Higher tier (Grades 4-9). The exam is split into four papers. Each paper is worth 25% of the final exam.

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| <p><b><u>PAPER 1 – SPEAKING (50 marks)</u></b></p> <p><b>F = 7-9 min (+ 15 mins supervised preparation time)</b></p> <p><b>H = 10-12 min (+ 15 mins supervised preparation time)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reading aloud passage and short conversation /12</li> <li>• Role-play /10</li> <li>• Picture task /12 and conversation /16.</li> </ul> | <p><b><u>PAPER 2 – LISTENING (50 marks)</u></b></p> <p><b>F = 45 mins including 5 mins reading time</b></p> <p><b>H = 60 mins including 5 mins reading time</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Section A - Listening comprehension questions answered in English or non-verbally /40</li> <li>• Section B – Dictation /10</li> </ul> | <p><b><u>PAPER 3 – READING (50 marks)</u></b></p> <p><b>F = 45 mins</b></p> <p><b>H = 1 hour</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Section A - reading comprehension questions answered in English or non-verbally /40</li> <li>• Section B - Translation into English /10</li> </ul> | <p><b><u>PAPER 4 – WRITING (50 marks)</u></b></p> <p><b>F = 1 hour 15 mins</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Picture based task /8</li> <li>• 40-50 word essay - choice of 2 titles /14</li> <li>• 80-90 word essay - choice of 2 titles /18</li> <li>• Translation of sentences into Spanish /10</li> </ul> <p><b>H = 1 hour 20 mins</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 80-90 word essay - choice of 2 titles /18</li> <li>• 130-150 word essay - choice of 2 titles /22</li> <li>• Translation of paragraph into Spanish /10</li> </ul> |
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In Y11 we follow the “Viva” GCSE course. The topics and assessments are:

| Module                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Vocab Tests              | Mid-module Assessment            | Formal Assessment                                    |
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| <p><b>Module 6 Mi barrio y yo</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Talking about your area</li> <li>• Describing cities</li> <li>• Describing how a city or town has changed</li> </ul>                                           | 3 vocab tests per module | Writing (80-90 or 130-150 words) | All papers (whole-school assessment week)            |
| <p><b>Module 7 Un mundo mejor para todos</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Natural wonders of Spanish-speaking countries</li> <li>• How you help in your community</li> <li>• Talking about climate change</li> </ul>          |                          | Targeted past paper questions    | Listening and Reading (whole-school assessment week) |
| <p><b>Module 8 El futuro te espera</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Learning about Latino trailblazers</li> <li>• Talking about your hopes and dreams</li> <li>• Getting a job</li> <li>• Future career intentions</li> </ul> |                          | Exam practice – all skills       |                                                      |

In Year 9 pupils are given a booklet containing the lists of vocabulary from the Edexcel specification, divided by theme and word type. Apart from a small number of unfamiliar words (which will be glossed in the exam or are cognates which can easily be understood), the vocab lists contain all the words that will be in the exams and therefore need to be learned. Regular revision of vocab is key throughout the course (“little and often”) and pupils will also have access to GCSE vocabulary sets via the Quizlet website (Memrise.com is also a great revision tool). In Year 10 your child will also be given a Speaking and Writing Booklet in which they will prepare possible responses for the Speaking and Writing exams.