

# AS/A2 Level Spanish

**Teachers:** 3 teachers and a conversation lesson with the Spanish assistant

After the GCSE you have proved that you can communicate in Spanish. Now it is time to learn about the society and culture of Spain and other Spanish speaking countries. You will read Spanish literature and study topical issues. You need to be aware of what is in the news and you need to take an interest in things, which may be different in foreign parts. You must be prepared to look at topics, have an opinion and be able to defend the stance you choose.

## Units

4 units to the course, 2 units in AS and 2 units in A2

### AS

**Unit 1:** *Listening, Reading and Writing* 2 hours

**Unit 2:** *Speaking* 15 minutes + 20 minutes preparation time

### A2

**Unit 3:** *Listening, Reading and Writing* 2.5 hours

**Unit 4:** *Speaking* 15 minutes + 20 minutes preparation time

Most tasks in the exam require a response in Spanish. Dictionaries are not allowed in the exams. Lessons are usually conducted in German. Skills and grammar are learned within the following topics:

## AS topic areas

### Media

*TV, advertising and communication technology*

### Popular culture

*Cinema, music and fashion/trends*

### Healthy living/lifestyle

*Sport/exercise, health and well-being and holidays*

### Family/relationships

*Relationships within the family, friendships and marriage/partnerships. :*

## **A2 topic areas**

All of the above plus:

### **The Environment and Citizenship**

*Pollution, energy and protecting the planet*

### **The multi-cultural society**

*Immigration, integration and racism*

### **Contemporary social issues**

*Wealth and poverty, law and order and the impact of scientific and technological progress*

### **Cultural topic**

*The study of a target language speaking region/community or*

*The study of a period of 20th century history from a target language-speaking country/community*  
or

*The study of a novelist/dramatist/poet from a target language-speaking country/community or*

*The study of a director/architect/musician/painter from a target language-speaking country/  
community.*

### **Activities**

Activities include debates, watching videos, listening to cassettes in Spanish on A Level topics, reading articles from a variety of newspapers and magazines, learning about the culture and the geography of Spanish-speaking countries, songs, writing discursive and creative essays. learning about and applying grammatical concepts, working independently, in pairs and in groups, taking the initiative, pursuing personal interests, watching Spanish films and satellite TV and writing critiques, making videos, visiting the Spanish Institute, working with the Spanish assistant, etc.

**Bueno Suerte y que lo pases bien**