### Spanish A Level

### Awarding Body: AQA

Spanish is the second most spoken language in the world, being used in most of Central and South America and in many parts of Asia, as well as in Spain. If you want a language that will open up whole continents to you, Spanish is your best bet.

The new AQA A Level course gives students the opportunity to deepen their understanding of the Spanish language through the development of valuable skills such as reading, listening and translation. Students will also study aspects of the society and culture of the Spanish-speaking world and in addition, will develop the ability to write critically about two works of Spanish literature and film. Furthermore, they will be given the chance to conduct a piece of individual research on a subject of personal interest relating to Spain or a Spanish speaking country.

**Assessment overview.**

**Listening, Reading and Translation**

**2 hours 30 minutes**

**50% of A Level**

**(100 marks)**

* Listening 30 marks

Listening comprehension tasks based on spoken passages from a range of different contexts. All questions in Spanish.

* Reading 50 marks

Reading comprehension tasks based on a variety of texts written for different purposes. All questions in Spanish.

* Translation into English 10 marks

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**Writing**

**2 hours**

**20% of A Level**

**(80 marks)**

* Two 300 word essays in Spanish 80 marks

Either one literary text and one film, or two texts will be studied from the AQA set list.

Students answer one question for each of the two works they have studied.

Students are advised to write approximately 300 words per essay.

Questions are in Spanish and there will be a choice of two for each of the set works.

**Speaking**

**21-23 minutes (including 5 minutes of preparation time)**

**30% of A Level**

**(60 marks)**

* Discussion based on a stimulus card (5-6 minutes) 25 marks

The student studies a stimulus card during 5 minutes of preparation time. The card will be based on one of the AQA A Level prescribed topics.

* Presentation/Discussion of Individual Research (12 minutes) 35 marks

The student gives a presentation of an Individual Research Project (2 minutes)

The student discusses their Individual Research Project (9-10 minutes)

**There is no access to a dictionary during any of the AQA A Level Spanish Assessments.**