**Spanish AQA GCSE Revision**

**Higher Reading: 1 hour**

1. Use the GCSE Exam Practice material on Spanish Moodle
2. Practise exam-style Reading Comprehension exercises using **Leer y Escuchar** at the end of each chapter of the textbook.
3. Revise the vocabulary lists at the end of each of the GCSE Modules 1-8. Use Quizlet GCSE Vocabulary revision lists (also on Moodle)
4. Complete online past paper **AQA Reading Exams** (some available on Moodle). All answers, transcripts and mark schemes are provided online for the AQA past papers: [www.aqa.org.uk](http://www.aqa.org.uk)
5. Use the following Reading Comprehension Strategies when practising:

* Aim to infer meaning from texts, don’t try to understand every word.
* Focus your attention on the questions, making certain you understand what each question requires. Only once you understand the question and what exactly it asks you to identify should you then turn your attention to the text. Maintain a positive approach when faced with unfamiliar language by concentrating on what you understand.

**Higher Listening: 45 minutes + 5 minutes reading**

1. Use the GCSE Exam Practice material and GCSE Listening material (Year 11) on Moodle. Practise little (15 minutes) and often.
2. Complete online past paper **AQA Listening Exams** (some available on Moodle). All answers, transcripts and mark schemes are provided online for the AQA past papers: [www.aqa.org.uk](http://www.aqa.org.uk)
3. Use the following Listening Comprehension Strategies:

* Focus your attention on the questions, making sure you are familiar with the different types of task such as filling in a grid or a form, matching information, gap filling, putting things in order and giving reasons.
* Do not expect to understand every word. If the listening passage is long or if people are speaking quickly, there will be a lot of "redundant" language that you will need to overlook.
* Think positively and remain focused, even when bombarded by unfamiliar language. While the listening extract may be difficult, the questions may be easy.

* During the 5 minute reading time before the recording starts, read the questions carefully and be clear as to exactly what is wanted. Predict what you may be about to hear in the recording. Once you have completed an exercise, look straight ahead to the next question during the pause in the recording and continue anticipating the language you are about to hear
* Use your knowledge of grammar (e.g. in order to identify whether the speaker is talking in the present, past or future tense)
* Listen out for the intonation of a speaker’s voice for helpful clues as to their mood or whether they are making a statement or asking a question
* Ensure that you answer the questions in the correct language. No marks are awarded for answering in Spanish when English is specified and vice versa.

**Higher Writing: 1 hour 15 minutes**

1. Use the GCSE Exam Practice material on Moodle.
2. Practise Writing exercises and Translation from the **Prueba Escrita** at the end of each chapter of the textbook and **GCSE Grammar and Translation Workbook**.
3. Use the **GCSE Writing Checklist** (on Moodle) to ensure that your exam-style written responses of 90 or 150 words contain the essential elements that the AQA marking criteria requires.
4. Complete online Specimen **AQA Writing** (2018 Specimen Paper): [www.aqa.org.uk](http://www.aqa.org.uk)
5. Revise and memorise your list of **Key GCSE Verbs** in all tenses. Use Quizlet key verb revision lists (on Moodle).
6. Revise Key Tenses and Grammar by completing the exercises in the Grammar Section at the back of the textbook and **GCSE Grammar and Translation Workbook**.