

SPANISH

STEP UP TO SIXTH FORM



KEY INFO:

Faculty: EBacc
Course Title: A-Level Spanish
Exam Board: AQA
Course Textbook: AQA
Spanish for A Level Year 1 &
AS Student Book and AQA
Spanish for A Level Year 2
Student Book



ACTIVITIES:

Use TV, radio, online newspapers, internet, books and magazines etc. to **develop and widen your vocabulary**. It is very important that, as a linguistic, you start getting used to reading, watching and listening to **authentic resources made by native speakers for a native speaker audience**. Alongside with this linguistic exposure, you should also practice and develop your **grammatical understanding** of the language in question.

WIDER READING:

Like reading in one's native language, reading in a foreign language helps us become more **comfortable** with the words and **grammatical rules** that enable us to express our own thoughts. Seeing the text of new words and concepts visually helps to reinforce our memory of them, while having the ability to stop, think, or look up words in a dictionary allows for more individualized pace of mental absorption. At NES we recommend you watch any type of movie or TV series in target language but here is the list of books you will be able to explore in A level Spanish:

- La casa de Bernarda Alba - Federico García Lorca
- Crónica de una muerte anunciada - Gabriel García Márquez
- Como agua para chocolate - Laura Esquivel
- Réquiem por un campesino español - Ramón J. Sender
- La sombra del viento - Carlos Ruiz Zafón
- La casa de los espíritus - Isabel Allende
- Rimas - Gustavo Adolfo Bécquer
- Las bicicletas son para el verano - Fernando Fernán-Gómez
- El otro árbol de Guernica - Luis de Castresana
- El coronel no tiene quien le escriba - Gabriel García Márquez

USEFUL ONLINE LINKS:

Newspapers - <https://www.20minutos.es/>

Newspapers - <https://www.elmundo.es/>

Radio stations - <http://radio.garden/visit/madrid/>

Music - <https://top40-charts.com/chart.php?cid=21>

Vocabulary - <https://www.duolingo.com/>

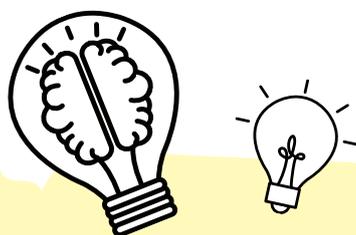
Vocabulary - <https://www.memrise.com/>

Grammar - <https://www.spanishdict.com/>

Translation - <https://www.wordreference.com/>

Games - <https://conjuguemos.com/activities/spanish/verb/1>

Varied - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/spanish/>



PODCASTS:

<https://podcasts.apple.com/gb/podcast/creative-language-learning/id780485096?mt=2>

<https://podcast.duolingo.com/spanish>

<https://www.newsinslowspanish.com/>

<https://www.spanishpod101.com/>

TV AND FILM:

Watching movies and TV series are deeply recommended if you are learning a new language. First of all, watching movies familiarises you with native speech. Since movies are intended for native speakers, the language used generally reflects authentic speech. **By listening to authentic, native speech, you're more likely to be able to understand actual speech in context.** Additionally, watching movies puts vocabulary **in context**. You won't just have to rely exclusively on the words themselves to understand what's happening. If you don't understand a word, you can often guess based on what's happening and **visual cues**, like characters' facial expressions. Plus, you can see how vocabulary might be used in different situations, helping you understand when different words are appropriate. Finally, watching movies is addictive and fun. Once you get on a roll, you'll just want to keep watching them. And when you're watching in your target language, the addictive nature of movies can lead to massive improvements in your language skills.

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- Volver - Pedro Almodóvar (2006)
- El laberinto del fauno - Guillermo del Toro (2006)
- Ocho apellidos vascos - Emilio Martínez-Lázaro (2014)
- María, llena eres de gracia - Joshua Marston (2004)
- Abel - Diego Luna (2010)
- Las 13 rosas - Emilio Martínez-Lázaro (2007)

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