

PCHS Curriculum Information Year 12 Spanish 2025–26

Course Title: A Level Spanish	Exam Board: AQA	Specification Code: 7652
<p>How will students be assessed?</p> <p>Students will complete three external exams at the end of year 13. There is no coursework.</p> <p>The first examination is Listening, Reading and Writing, it lasts 2 hours 30 and is worth 100 marks. Listening and reading passages will be drawn from a range of contexts and sources, covering different registers and types, contemporary and historical material and will cover non-fiction and literary fiction. Students will translate a passage of at least 100 words from Spanish into English. The content of the passages will be based on the themes and sub-themes from this 2 year course.</p> <p>The second examination is Writing, a 2 hour exam worth 80 marks and during which students will write two essays in Spanish on the film and piece of literature studied over the course.</p> <p>The third examination is Speaking and lasts 21–23 minutes (including 5 minutes supervised preparation time); with a total mark of 60. The test will be in two parts. Part 1 will be the discussion of one sub-theme from those in this 2 year course, lasting 5–6 minutes, and Part 2 will be the presentation and discussion of the student’s individual research project from Year 13.</p> <p>There will be internal assessments and mock examinations during the 2 year course.</p>		

Key content	
HBE	JRD
<p>Half Term 1 (7 weeks) Modern and Traditional Hispanic Values Families in the past and at present Catholic Religion and Festivals Marriage and Divorce Family types</p>	<p>Half Term 1 (7 weeks) Cyberspace Uses of Internet Has new technology improved our life for the better or worse? Use of Smartphones</p>
<p>Half Term 2 (7 weeks) Equality of Rights The fight for equality of women Women in today’s society The rights of LGBT</p>	<p>Half Term 2 (7 weeks) Complete Cyberspace The influence of Idols The influences of musical idols</p>

The role of women in the Hispanic world	The influence of sport heroes The new culture of fame
Half Term 3 (6 weeks) Revision for Year 12 Mock examinations Cultural Heritage Peru Mexican Art The Moor Architecture in Andalusia Musical Heritage	Half Term 3 (6 weeks) Complete The influence of Idols Revision for Year 12 Mock examinations Regional Identity in Spain 'Semana Santa' in Spain Bullfighting Gastronomy in Spain The official languages of Spain
Half Term 4 (6 weeks) Complete Cultural Heritage Study of film 'Volver' Pedro Almodóvar Historical Context of film Themes Cinematic Techniques Locations Characters	Half Term 4 (6 weeks) Complete Regional Identity in Spain Racism Racism and Xenophobia in Spain National and Local methods to combat racism Anti-racist legislation in the Hispanic world
Half Term 5 (5 weeks) Complete 'Volver' Immigration Immigration in Spain Life of an illegal immigrant Mexican Immigration in the USA	Half Term 5 (5 weeks) Complete Racism
Half Term 6 (7 weeks) Complete Immigration Preparation for Mock Examinations/IRP preparation	Half Term 6 (7 weeks) Preparation for Mock Examinations/IRP preparation

