

A Level Spanish

Part A - Bridging Work Task

This is a fantastic opportunity to expand your understanding of Spanish as you prepare for enrolment and start at Franklin in September.

Please complete the work and bring a copy to your enrolment, either printed or electronically.

The work will take you around **2 hours** so plan your time to best suit you.

How do I complete and submit my task?	<p>Complete the tasks on paper/handwritten or digitally, and bring a copy, either paper or electronically, to your enrolment appointment. Also, bring this along to your first lesson in September.</p> <p>If you didn't attend the Taster Day, don't worry. It isn't essential for completing this work, but please ensure that you have completed this bridging work.</p>
Introduction to your Bridging Task	<p>This task will you an introduction to the first topics you can expect to study in September:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Understanding how family structure has changed in Spain and the impact of this on Spanish society.• Using the present tense confidently.• Developing comprehension skills beyond GCSE level.
Task details	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Firstly, you need to work through the reading and listening comprehension tasks and then translate the text into English on the bridging work worksheet.2. Secondly, you need to use the first four links to research regular verbs in the present tense and the fifth link to complete the graded practice. You should do the practice as many times as you need to consistently conjugate them without making mistakes.3. Thirdly, you need to use the first link to revise the common irregular verbs and the second link to do the graded practice. Again, you should keep doing this until you can conjugate these verbs confidently.

Resources to help you with the Bridging Task	<p>Here are the links to the resources for each task:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reading, Listening and Translation into English worksheet Listening exercise sound file 2. Present tense explanation Regular ar verbs Regular er verbs Regular ir verbs Present tense regular verb practice 3. Irregular present tense verbs Present tense irregular verb practice
Extension Tasks	
Extension Tasks to stretch and challenge you	<p>If you have completed the above to the best of your ability, feel free to try this extension task (<i>this is optional</i>):</p> <p>Look at the population data in the link below and draw some conclusions about the numbers of marriages, births, and deaths in Spain.</p> <p>Population data</p>
Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs)	<p>You might enrol and complete the following to push you a little further (this is optional):</p> <p>Intermediate Spanish: A trip across Latin America</p> <p>Advanced Spanish: Language in context</p> <p>Advanced Spanish: Protest song</p>

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Part B – Preparing for Studying at Franklin

A fantastic opportunity to widen your understanding of the course.

Examining Board and Specification	<p>This course follows Edexcel’s A Level Spanish specification: Specification Pearson Edexcel Level 3 Advanced GCE in Spanish</p> <p>We cover the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Social changes in contemporary Spain.• Music, media and traditions of the Spanish speaking world.• The impact of immigration in Spain.• 20th Century Spanish history.• The film ‘El Laberinto del Fauno.’• The novel ‘Como Agua Para Chocolate.’• Spanish grammar. <p>Studying this course will give you a wide range of skills:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Verbal communication and interpersonal skills• Developing ideas analytically in both speech and writing• Critical thinking skills while comparing different societies and cultures.• Digital skills and independent learning skills• Team working skills <p>Progression after this course: Studying A Level Spanish is not only excellent preparation for studying modern foreign languages at degree level but also enables progression onto a variety of Humanities and Arts subjects at a higher level including linguistics, English language, English literature, history, geography, economics, law and sociology. It also makes you a highly desirable candidate in the STEM industries where being multi-lingual is a sought-after skill.</p>
Preparing for the course	<p>Here are some helpful sources of information if you would like further information about the subject:</p> <p>Websites</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 20Minutos• El Laberinto del Fauno article <p>Books</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Como Agua Para Chocolate by Laura Esquivel• Edexcel A Level Spanish <p>Digital Resources</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 1 vocabulary topics• Breaking the language barrier