

PLUME ACADEMY - LEARNING OVERVIEW

Year	13
Course	A Level Spanish
Specification Number/Exam Board	7692/AQA
Examination Papers and Weighting	Paper 1: Listening, Reading and Writing (50%)
	Paper 2: Writing – Film and Novel (20%)
	Paper 3: Speaking (30%)

Prior Learning

The course builds on prior learning by developing the language skills learned in GCSE Spanish. Students continue to read, write, listen and speak about a range of topic areas that relevant to young people. All of the vocabulary, tenses and related grammatical structures learnt at GCSE are directly relevant to A Level. Similarly, the introduction to literature and cultural topics that occurs at GCSE represents a useful introduction to the much more details literary, filmic and cultural topics study at advanced level.

Curriculum Intent – What are the curriculum aims?

- The course constitutes an integrated study with a focus on language, culture and society.
 The curriculum fosters a range of transferable skills including communication, critical
 thinking, research skills and creativity, which are valuable to the individual and society.
 The content is suitable for students who wish to progress to employment or to further
 study, including a modern languages degree.
- To use language spontaneously to initiate communication; ask and answer questions; express thoughts and feelings; present viewpoints; develop arguments; persuade; and analyse and evaluate in speech and writing, including interaction with speakers of Spanish.
- To apply knowledge of pronunciation, morphology and syntax, vocabulary and idiom to communicate accurately and coherently, using a range of expression including the list of grammar in this specification.
- To use language-learning skills and strategies, including communication strategies such as adjusting the message, circumlocution, self-correction and repair strategies.
- Develop listening and responding to spoken passages including some extended passages from a range of different contexts and sources, adapted as necessary, covering different registers and types, including authentic communication involving one or more speakers.
- Develop reading and responding to a variety of texts including some extended texts
 written for different purposes and audiences drawn from a range of authentic sources,
 including contemporary, historical and literary, fiction and non-fiction texts, adapted as
 necessary.
- Study one book and one film from the lists in this specification. To know, understand and be able to respond critically in writing in Spanish to the work studied. Knowledge and understanding must include a critical response to the structure of the plot, characterisation, and the use of imagery or other stylistic features as appropriate to the works studied.
- To facilitate in-depth research in the target language.



Curriculum Implementation - What will my child will be learning?

Term	Half Term 1	Multiculturalism in Hispanic Society – Immigration + Racism	
1		Aspects of political life the Hispanic world – Young People of Today	
		Gabriel García Márquez – Crónica de una muerte anunciada (Literary Text)	
	Half Term 2	Multiculturalism in Hispanic Society – Racism + Cohabitation	
		Aspects of political life the Hispanic world – Popular Movements	
		Gabriel García Márquez – Crónica de una muerte anunciada	
		Revise Guillermo del Toro – El Laberinto del Fauno	
Term	Half Term 3	Multiculturalism in Hispanic Society – Cohabitation	
2		Individual Research Project + Speaking cards	
		Aspects of political life the Hispanic world – Monarchies	
		Gabriel García Márquez – Crónica de una muerte anunciada	
		Revise Guillermo del Toro – El Laberinto del Fauno	
	Half Term 4	Multiculturalism in Hispanic Society – Revise	
		Individual Research Project +Speaking cards	
Aspects of political life the Hisp		Aspects of political life the Hispanic world – Social Protests	
		Gabriel García Márquez – Crónica de una muerte anunciada	
		Revise Guillermo del Toro – El Laberinto del Fauno	
Term	Half Term 5	Revision and Examination Preparation	
3		Individual Research Project	
	Half Term 6	Examinations	

Curriculum Impact – How will my child be assessed and receive feedback?

Paper 1: Listening, Reading and Writing (including translation) – 50% - on all of the topics studied (2 hours 30 minutes)

Paper 2: Writing – Literature and Film

• Written exam: 2 hours • 20% of A Level

Paper 3: Speaking – Independent Research Project and Topic Response

• Oral exam: 22-24 minutes • 30% of A Level

In-class: Listening and reading activity feedback, essay feedback, speaking card preparation, verbal and written feedback, annotations, selected notes, peer/solo presentations – a range of informal assessment opportunities which will receive a combination of verbal and written feedback from teaching staff.



Super-Curricular Opportunities – Supporting and Extending Learning

Useful study resources	If a student is really passionate about this subject they can
AS A Level Oxford Kerboodle textbook	
Spanishdictionary.com	Listen Spanish Language Radio and Television
Wordreference.com	
Rtve.es	Read the Spanish and Spanish-American
20minutos.es	newspapers or online journalism
Film: El Laberinto del fauno	
Novel: Crónica de una muerte anunciada	Travel to a Spanish or Spanish American
501 Spanish verbs	Country, or plan a future visit
Palabra por Palabra	
Hodder Education: Modern Language Study	Read further texts or watch further films of the
Guides El Laberinto del Fauno	novelist studied, or study the work of related
Hodder Education: Modern Language Study	authors or directors
Guides: Crónica de una muerte	
	Use Duolingo
	Read articles related to personal areas of interest
	Participate in online or in-person exchanges with students from a partner school.
	Watch Spanish films, with English subtitles (via places like Amazon Prime).