

The AP Spanish Language and Culture Exam (May 2024) is designed to test your Spanish skills and abilities. The exam will test all of the major language skills: listening, reading comprehension, speaking, and writing, in addition to general cultural knowledge of the Hispanic World.

#### Rationale for Summer Assignments

Students enrolled in AP Spanish are required to complete the summer assignment prior to the start of class in August. The assignments integrate the use of technology while maintaining the integrity of language acquisition through real-life experiences. Summer assignments have been selected to continue the development of more advanced communication skills in listening, speaking, reading, and writing.

#### General Directions:

Read the assignment descriptions carefully. Each assignment has some required activities. You may enjoy watching videos or television programs with other AP Spanish students and discussing the activities and your opinions are encouraged. However, your work is still yours, not the other students'. You may have the same conversations but your logs will be different, since each one of you will report what you learned and talked during the conversations. You are required to abide by the honor code that forbids cheating, lying, and stealing both within the academic world and as members of the general society. In other words, I expect that you complete all assignments on your own, without the use of a person or translator. Your work should be representative of what you are capable of doing using all class notes and grammar learned.

This work is to assess your skills upon starting the new school year. You will receive a test grade for this work. This is due on the first day of school.

NOTE: These summer assignments will not take too much time each week, but the work should be spread out throughout the summer. Cramming does not work with any language.

### Required Summer Assignments

#### 1. English Essay - Familiarize yourself with the exam.

Go to the AP student website below and read about the Spanish Culture and Language AP Exam.

<https://apstudents.collegeboard.org/courses/ap-spanish-language-and-culture>

Look at the tips that the College Board suggests for you.

<https://apstudents.collegeboard.org/ap-world-languages-and-culture-exam-tips>

After you have read through everything, write a short summary (at least 100 words) in ENGLISH. Include what you have learned about the exam. Include some ideas of how you will be able to best study over the course of the year. You can include your hopes, plans, and areas of concern for the year.

**\*\*Chose 2 assignments from #2-#5 \*\***

2. Grammar

As an AP Spanish student you would be familiar with the tenses listed below. You should know how to form each tense as well as when to use each one. You should concentrate on an area or areas of grammar that you need extra practice with. To document, please use the Google Form in Classroom.

<https://studyspanish.com/grammar>

<https://studyspanish.com/verbs>

Verb Tenses you should know. Irregular and Regular Verbs for all categories

Present

Present Progressive

Past

Imperfect

Future

Conditional

Present Perfect

Ser vs Estar

3. Reading and Writing

Write 3 paragraphs. Current events based on the six AP Spanish Language and Cultural Themes Reading is an important part of the AP Spanish Exam. To strengthen your Spanish reading comprehension and writing skills, you are to read news articles in Spanish about the culture and/or traditions of different hispanic countries. Note new words you learn and use those words in original sentences. You will write a one paragraph summary in Spanish of what you learned (5 + sentences in SPANISH).

NOTE\*- Attention will be paid to noun/adjective agreement, subject/verb agreement, and correct verb usage.

Read 3 articles over 3 of the topics listed below.

El entretenimiento (la música, el cine, el arte, etc.) La conciencia social Los días festivos (en el mundo español/latino) La Tomatina

La Tecnología

Las Fallas

La inmigración

La Semana Santa en España

Los deportes

La Semana Santa en Guatemala

Las tradiciones Fiestas

Las tradicionales del Perú

Las redes sociales

Fiestas de San Miguel, Lleida (España)

La

Fiesta de San Fermin

Articles can be found on the following websites (but you are free to use other websites).

[http://todo-claro.com/e\\_index.php](http://todo-claro.com/e_index.php)

[www.bbcmundo.com](http://www.bbcmundo.com)

[www.elpais.com](http://www.elpais.com)

[www.ivision.com](http://www.ivision.com)

<http://www.un.or/spanish/News>

<http://www.eluniversal.com.mx/noticias/html>

<http://espanol.news.yahoo.com>

<http://prensaescrito.com>

<http://vintemundos.com/en/>

<https://www.20minutos.es/minuteca/arqueologia>

#### 4. Listening and Writing

Watch or listen to a program in Spanish. You are required to spend at least 3 or more hours listening to authentic Spanish this summer, in 30 minute increments. You may listen to the radio, CDs, streaming radio, podcasts or view YouTube, Tv/movies.

Please note the webpage, radio name, etc. At the beginning it may be hard to understand the first time so you may listen to it more than once, take notes, etc. Please fill in the Google Form in Google Classroom..

Think about what you saw or heard, then write the title and a short summary (3 - 5 sentences) of what you listened to and your experience.. Include the web address of the sites you choose. You may find some interesting items on these helpful Websites. These sites provide direct links to television, radio, and newspapers from many locations throughout the Spanish-speaking world.

[https://www.tedcom/playlists/518/ted\\_talks\\_en\\_espa%C3%B1ol](https://www.tedcom/playlists/518/ted_talks_en_espa%C3%B1ol)

[www.rtve.es/ree](http://www.rtve.es/ree)

<http://www.vmetv.com/>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/podcasts/series/mh>

<http://www.20minutos.es/>

<https://www.notesinspanish.com/category/notes-in-spanish-gold-audio/page/2/>

<https://www.notesinspanish.com/category/notes-in-spanish-gold-audio/>

<https://news.un.org/es/>

<http://broadcast-live.com/television/spanish.html>

<http://broadcast-live.com/latinamerica.html>

#### 5. Speaking

In Flipgrid, record yourself reading or speaking to someone in Spanish. These will be located in Google Classroom. You need to have at least two (2, dos). The length of your reading/speaking needs to be between 30 seconds to 1 minute.