

AP SPANISH SUMMER ASSIGNMENTS 2023-2024

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¡Bienvenidos a la clase de español!

You have chosen to continue your study of Spanish at the AP level. The AP Spanish Language and Culture Exam (May 2024) is designed to test your skills to see how well they compare to abilities found in a third-year college course. The exam will test all the major language skills: listening, reading comprehension, speaking, and writing in addition to the general cultural knowledge of the Hispanic World. I welcome you to this rewarding and challenging course and to this journey exploring six major themes of study.

Themes for AP Spanish Language and Culture

1. Beauty and Aesthetics
2. Global Challenges
3. Science and Technology
4. Families and Communities
5. Personal and Public Identities
6. Contemporary Life.

Rationale for Summer Assignments

The summer assignment is intended to give students a better idea of what to expect on the AP exam as well as to encourage practice with the language over the summer. It is also intended to better prepare students for the course and make the AP SPANISH experience more beneficial overall. Taking these assignments seriously and spacing its requirements out over the summer will benefit you greatly. Do not wait until the week before school starts to begin the assignment. Have some practice and enjoy the summer!

General Directions:

Read the assignment descriptions carefully. Each assignment has some required activities. You may use dictionaries, grammar books, www.wordreference.com, etc. Local libraries and native speakers of Spanish are excellent sources. You may enjoy watching videos or television programs with other AP Spanish students and discussing the activities and your opinions are encouraged. **This is a major grade.**

ASSIGNMENT # 1

Become familiar with everything that is published on the AP website about this exam. Look at the tips that the College Board suggests to you:

http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/ap/prep_lang.html

http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/ap/spanish_lang/exam.html?spanlang

After doing this, please write a short summary (100 words) in English or Spanish of what you have learned about this exam. Include some ideas of how you will be able to study best over the course of the year. You can also include hopes, plans, areas of concern, etc.

ASSIGNMENT # 2 Do the activities for the following grammar tenses using these websites:

GRAMMAR EXERCISES/ Grammar exercises **must be written/printed.**

<https://studyspanish.com/grammar>

<https://studyspanish.com/verbs>

<http://www.colby.edu/~bknelson/SLC/index.php>

www.studyspanish.com

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

Present, Stem Changing Verbs

Present Progressive

Preterite Tense: Verb conjugation charts: preterite tense

Preterite vs Imperfect

Future

Conditional

Present Perfect

Ser vs Estar

Subjunctive Mood: [Exercise 1 Subjunctive Forms](#), [Exercise 3 Subjunctive Forms](#), verb conjugation charts: Present subjunctive, Present perfect subjunctive, imperfect subjunctive and Pluscuamperfect subjunctive.

Perfect Tenses: Present Perfect Tense, Conditional Perfect Tense

ASSIGNMENT # 3 Reading- Lectura

You will read 10 articles in Spanish from a Spanish language newspaper or magazine. You may choose articles that are interesting to you and appropriate for school. Please do not choose more than two articles on the same topic. You must be able **to relate the articles to one of the six AP themes**. These articles must be written in Spanish and may not be translations of an article in English. Prepare a short summary, in Spanish, of each article (8-10 sentences). Make a list of important vocabulary words (5-8) and their definitions in Spanish. Print a copy(or save it as PDF) of the article and be sure to include the reference from where you obtained the article. You may want to get your articles the following websites:

a) <http://news.bbc.co.uk/hi/spanish/news/>

b) La Nación Argentina <http://www.lanacion.com.ar/>

c) El País (España) www.elpais.com

d) Centro de Noticias ONU <http://www.un.org/spanish/News/>

e) El universal México <https://www.eluniversal.com.mx/>

f) Yahoo en español <http://espanol.news.yahoo.com/>

ASSIGNMENT # 4 Comprensión de audio y escritura

You can use songs, movies, radio, news (see links below). You may also fulfill this requirement by watching Spanish television, but it should be something of educational value with a lot of language use such as news program.

Vary the type of material to which you listen. For example: listen to things related to the environment, politics, economics, tourism, 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.

From each of the following websites do the following:

-**Listen to a total of five** audio/video sources. You can use any combination of the websites below or choose another source.

- For every video/Article write a 10–15-line paragraph summary about what you heard and understood. Remember to include Transition Words, Subjunctive and Perfect tenses.

1. Univision Noticias Videos:

www.noticias.univision.com/videos

2. BBC Mundo una voz independiente:

www.bbc.co.uk/mundo/video/index.shtml

3. Multimedia de las Naciones Unidas:

www.un.org/es/multimedia/

4. El Mercurio de Chile noticias:

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

5. El Universal (México)

www.eluniversal.com/

6. El Tiempo (Colombia) look for videos

www.eltiempo.com

7. Radio televisión española: Noticias/Radio

www.rtve.es

ASSIGNMENT # 5: Hablar en español/Speaking Spanish

You will practice speaking in Spanish. You should complete at least 5 speaking practices. You can choose from these activities and record your conversations to be uploaded in a Google Drive folder named "Summer Speaking Practices 2023." You will share that folder with me when you return to class.

- a) Interview a Spanish-speaking friend, neighbor, or family member. Record the conversation, with permission.
- b) Set a Zoom meeting with a classmate and talk in Spanish about your news articles or any other topic. Record your conversation/meeting.
- c. Practice the guided conversation part of the AP exam and download your audio from <https://hablame.org/conversation>

You can use the following as a guide when completing Assignment # 3

AP Spanish Language News Article Sheet

Please complete the following information in SPANISH

Título del artículo _____

Autor _____ Fecha _____

Nombre del periódico o sitio web _____

Tema AP _____

Parte I. Escribe 10 nuevas palabras que leíste en el artículo.

LISTA DE NUEVAS PALABRAS.

Español	Definición	Sinónimo
1.		
2.		
3.		
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Parte II. Escribe un resumen del artículo que leíste (50 palabras como mínimo)