



Year 7 Spanish Curriculum Map



In Year 7 you will begin to learn the Spanish language with the building blocks of **Phonics, Vocabulary and Grammar** so that you will gradually be able to speak and write Spanish accurately. Your **Spanish Language Guide contains everything you are learning** and you can refer to it throughout the year to support your learning. You will also find out about the culture and traditions of Spain and Spanish-speaking countries and the people who live there.

Phonics	Vocabulary	Grammar
<p>You will learn how to pronounce sequences of sounds and words correctly by practising all of the SSCs (sound symbol correspondence)* week by week.</p> <p><i>*SSCs are letters or clusters of letters that are pronounced in a specific way. Put them together and you can pronounce Spanish words well!</i></p>	<p>Your Spanish Language Guide has all the vocabulary we will learn this year and it is based on the most frequently used words in the Spanish language.</p> <p><i>It's important to learn vocabulary thoroughly so you can understand the words you are reading or hearing, and have a wide choice of words to use in speaking and writing.</i></p>	<p>This is how we put language together to give it meaning. You will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Nouns● Gender● Articles● Plurals● Present tense (regular verbs)● Present tense (irregular verbs ser, estar, tener)● Negation● Word order

You will find out about these aspects of **Spanish culture**:

- Key facts about Spain and Hispanophone (Spanish-speaking) countries
- Christmas and Easter in Spain
- Epiphany/Day of the Three Kings
- Spanish songs, poems and tongue twisters

You will practise these **language skills**:

Listening: to your teacher, to recorded texts, to each other

Speaking: practising pronunciation, asking and answering questions, presenting information and opinions

Reading: words, sentences, short texts, printed and handwritten

Writing: spelling, forming sentences, creating dialogues, translating from English to Spanish / Spanish to English.

Your teacher will **assess your progress** through your class work (spoken and written) and homework. You will sometimes have tests on learning homework tasks. You will also reflect on your own progress and set targets.

Top tips for success

Once you've learnt the SSC's, keep practising them. Also learn **vocabulary** very regularly. 'Little and often' is what works: perhaps 5-10 words twice a week using your Spanish Language Guide.

These 7 ways of memorising words help many learners:

1. Make flashcards
2. Invent rhymes and raps
3. Teach the words to someone else
4. Stick up 'word' post-its where you will see them everyday
5. Take part in the Spelling Bee
6. Think about each word: what does it remind you of?
7. Quizlet: your Language Guide has all the QR codes for fast access.



Use this checklist to ensure that you can identify your progress in Spanish throughout the year:

- Have you identified letters carefully and used capital letters where required?
- Is your pronunciation / spelling good?
- Have you expressed opinions?
- Have you extended some sentences with connectives?
- Have you checked the grammar of your sentences?

Useful websites for learning Spanish:

Online Dictionaries

- www.wordreference.com
- www.spanishdict.com

PLEASE do NOT use Google Translate - it won't help you learn and usually gives the wrong answer!

Vocabulary Learning

- www.quizlet.com
- www.languagesonline.org.uk
- www.linguascope.com → username: / password:
- www.onlinefreespanish.com

Grammar Learning

- www.studyspanish.com
- www.spanishdict.com
- www.123teachme.com

Listen to Spanish music to help your listening skills - it's fun too! Some recommendations:

- Enrique Iglesias, Shakira, Luis Fonsi, Ozuna, Rosalía
- Dvicio, CNCO, Álvaro Soler, Efecto Pasillo, Nicky Jam
- Aitana, Ana Guerra, Diana Fuentes, Sofía Reyes, Kevin y Karla (K&K do Spanish covers of English songs)

