

### **SUBJECT:** Spanish IB Higher

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## EXAM BOARD AND SYLLABUS NUMBER: IBO Language B / QAN: 60010757

#### **SYNOPSIS OF CONTENT:**

Core topics: Identities, Experiences, Human ingenuity, Sharing the planet, Social organization.

Students are expected to reach a high degree of competence in the language and explore the culture using the language. Students will use authentic spoken and written sources from a variety of contexts and genres.

Students will develop research skills in the language as part of the course, focusing on an area of personal interest related to the Spanish-speaking world.

There is a prescribed list of grammar for IB students that students will be expected to study and apply in class and in their independent study.

Higher students will also be required to study two pieces of literature for the speaking exam.

#### WHY STUDY THIS SUBJECT?

Studying Spanish not only allows you to further your language knowledge to a much higher standard than that of GCSE but also broadens you understanding of 20th Century history, contemporary film and significant literature.

It enables you to develop many transferable skills ready for University, such as analysing and researching,

In addition to this, it has often been said that learning and knowing a foreign language makes you more employable and opens up a world of opportunity.

#### SELF STUDY ADVICE / USEFUL WEBSITES:

www.practicaespanol.com www.20minutos.es www.spanishrevision.co.uk www.muyinteresante.es

IB Spanish B Course Book Pack 0198422423 IB Spanish B: Skills and Practice 0198424744

#### **HOW IS IT ASSESSED?**

Paper 1: Written production Paper 2: Listening & reading

Oral exam. Analysis of a literary extract and discussion on themes studied.

Students will be assessed at regular intervals, through vocabulary/translation, past papers, exam condition essay writing and mock exam periods.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION / CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

In the Spring term for Lower 6th, students have the opportunity to spend 2 weeks in Madrid on work experience placements.

<b>SPECIFIC MATRICULATION REQUIREMENTS</b> GCSE Spanish grade 6 to study IB Higher.