

AQA Spanish – Summer work

1. Mini Research project

A major part of your A-Level course will be to research, present and discuss a topic of interest to you and relevant to the Spanish-speaking world. To get used to this way of working, we would like you to choose an aspect of life/culture in a Spanish-speaking country, do some research preferably using websites in Spanish, and prepare to present to the group in the first couple of weeks of the new term.

Here are some ideas for topics, but feel free to choose your own, in the context of the **Spanish-speaking world**:

- Cinema
- Pop music
- Gastronomy
- Fashion
- A region of a Spanish-speaking country
- Spanish-speaking country
- A Spanish-speaking artist or musician

Your presentation should be no more than 5 mins long and should, of course be in Spanish. It should also include a visual aspect, perhaps a power point, a poster or some photographs.

2. Grammar

We recommend you buy the following grammar book – "Practice Makes Perfect Complete Spanish Grammar". (ISBN 978-1-259-58419-0) To revise the present tense, you should do the following pages and exercises to get you used to consulting a grammar during your A Level studies: Pages 1 to 18 – all exercises

3. Writing

Write a short essay (approx. 200 words) on the topic of family, which will be covered in your induction lesson with Miss Unsain. Use the text seen in class as a model and include the following points in your essay:

- 1. What your family is like and what your parents do
- 2. How families and family values have changed in your opinion
- 3. Your view on what it means to be a good parent and how best to deal with work commitments
- 4. Your view on the role and men and women when it comes to raising children
- 5. Your parents' and grandparents' views on the above and whether you share them.