

I. Spanish

AP Spanish Language and Culture Summer Work

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¡Hola! I am so happy you have chosen to continue your study of Spanish into the AP level. The AP Spanish Language and Culture exam will test all of the major language skills: listening, reading comprehension, your speaking ability and writing skills in addition to general cultural knowledge of the Hispanic world. Therefore, you will need to continue practicing your skill areas this summer.

These summer assignments will not take too much time each week, and the work should be spread out throughout the summer rather than trying to cram everything into a few days. CRAMMING does not work with a language! *Please let me know if you have any extenuating circumstances that can hinder your ability to do the work.

STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED to abide by the honor code that forbids them from cheating and lying within the academic standards at WH. I expect this commitment from you. What this means is that you are expected to complete all assignments on your own, without consulting native-speakers or abusing the use of a translator. Your work should represent what you are capable of doing using resources such as your knowledge, grammar books, and notes from previous study. You will receive a grade for this work.

BUT MOST IMPORTANT OF ALL have fun and ENJOY the language and your Summer!



Assignment #1: Familiarize yourself with the exam.

Become familiar with the exam. Go to the website below and read about the exam.

<https://apstudents.collegeboard.org/courses/ap-spanish-language-and-culture/assessment?%20spanlang>

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 (+/-100 words) in ENGLISH of what you have learned about the exam. You can include your hopes, plans, areas of concern, about the exam.

Assignment #2 : READING PRACTICE

Reading is an important part of the AP Spanish Exam. To strengthen your Spanish Reading Comprehension and writing skills, you are to read 2 news articles in Spanish. Highlight new words you learn and look up their meaning. Make a reading log for each article with a brief +- 50 words summary.

. Here are some topics that you might select articles on:

La economía

La tecnología

Los derechos humanos

La Inmigración

El medio ambiente

Los deportes

La política

Las ciencias

El entretenimiento (la música, el cine, el arte, etc)

Los días festivos (en el mundo español/latino)

You may find news articles at these websites:

<https://www.bbc.com/mundo>

<https://www.univision.com>

www.elpais.com

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

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

****Summaries are due on our first class of the new school year. ****

Assignment #3: LISTENING PRACTICE!

You are required to spend at least 3 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. Make a listening log with a brief +- 50 words summary for each ½ hr.

You may find some interesting items on these websites:

<https://www.espanolistas.com/la-casa-home/>

<https://www.wbur.org/anythingforselena/2021/01/13/selena-y-yo-espanol>

<https://www.trescuentos.com/episodes>

<https://radioambulante.org>

COMPLETION OF SUMMER WORK COUNTS AS THE FIRST MAJOR GRADE OF THE YEAR! I WILL SEND AN EMAIL WITH FORMS TO HELP YOU RECORD THE ARTICLES YOU HAVE READ AND THE LISTENING ACTIVITIES YOU HAVE COMPLETED, THIS WILL HELP YOU AND FACILITATE YOUR SUMMER WORK.