**YEAR 12 SPANISH**

**Studying Spanish at KS5**

**Introduction**

**Studying a language in the Sixth Form is also about using your own time to explore about the culture and the current affairs in the Spanish speaking world.**

**Listening and reading online:**

***Reading Listening***

[www.elpais.com](http://www.elpais.com/) [www.cadenasercom/noticias](http://www.cadenasercom/noticias)

[www.hola.com](http://www.hola.com/) www.cadenacope.es

[www.elmundo.es](http://www.elmundo.es/)

[www.terra.es](http://www.terra.es/) ( archive news)

[www.marca.es](http://www.marca.es/) (sport)

[www.estrelladigital.es](http://www.estrelladigital.es/)

www. 20minutos.es

**Videos in Spanish:**

* [www.antena3.com](http://www.antena3.com/) and click on ver video under the piece of news you want to watch
* [www.rtve.es](http://www.rtve.es/)
* [www.telecinco.es](http://www.telecinco.es/)
* [www.servicios.ideal.es/video](http://www.servicios.ideal.es/video) ( 4/5 new videos daily!!!)

Most of them contain clips of Spanish programmes, news, interviews and gossip.

**What do I already need to know?**

**Be prepared to be able to understand and use the following grammar points.**

**Why don’t you RAG the following grammar points and create revision resources for those RAGGED red.**

**Articles:** lo plus adjective

**Adjectives**

• comparative and superlative

• possessive, short and long forms (mi, mío)

• relative (cuyo)

**Adverbs:** comparative and superlative

**Pronouns**

• object

• position and order of object pronouns

• relative: all other uses including quien, lo que, el que, cual

• possessive (el mío, la mía)

**Verbs**

tenses

• future

• imperfect

• imperfect continuous

• perfect

• pluperfect

• conditional

• passive voice (R)

• gerund

• present subjunctive: imperative, affirmation and negation; future after

conjunctions of time

• (cuando); after verbs of wishing, command, request, emotion; to express

purpose (para que)

• imperfect subjunctive (R)

**Time**

• use of *desde hace* + present tense use of *desde hace* + imperfect tense

**TYPICAL SPANISH IDIOMS**

**Modismos típicos españoles**

<http://www.geocities.com/athens/thebes/6177/idioms.htm>

**Al hierro caliente batir de repente** *Beat the hot iron at once.* **Strike while the iron is hot**

**Antes que te cases mira lo que haces** *Before you marry look what you do* **Look before you leap**

**Beben agua en el mismo jarrito** *They drink water from the same little jug* **They are as thick as thieves**

**Cada perico a su estaca, cada changa a su mecate** *Each parrot on its perch, each monkey on its rope.* **To each his own**

**Caras vemos, corazones no sabemos** *Faces we see, hearts we don't know* **Can’t judge a book by its cover**

**Darle un beso a la botella.** *To give the bottle a kiss* **To have a swig**

**De la subida más alta es la caída más lastimosa.** *Of the highest rise, the shortest fall.* **The bigger they are the harder they fall**

**En menos que canta un gallo***. In less time than the rooster crows* **In a shake of a lamb’s tail**

**Estar como perro en barrio ajeno.** *To be like a dog in a neighbor's yard* **To feel like a fish out of water**

**Más loco que una cabra** *Crazier than a goat* **mad as a hatter**

**Más vale pájaro en mano que ciento volando.** *A bird in the hand is worth more than a hundred flying* **A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush**

**Meter la cuchara** *To put the spoon in* **put your oar in**

**Mientras que en mi casa estoy, rey soy** *While in my house, I am king.* **A man’s home is his castle**

**Ser más listo que un coyote** *To be more ready (alert) than a coyote* **sharp as a tack**

**Tener más lana que un Borrego** *To have more wool than a lamb* **To have money to burn**

**Vivito y coleando** *Alive and wagging tail* **alive and kicking**

**Al que madruga, Dios lo ayuda The early Bird catches the worm**

**No hay nada tan atrevido como le ignorancia Fools rush in where angels fear to tread**

**El campo fértil no descansado, tórnase estéril All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy**

**Al canto del petiguere At the cock’s crow/At Day break**

**SPANISH IDIOMS**

**Now see how many you have memorised. Have a go at translating the following Spanish idioms.**

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2. Antes que te cases mira lo que haces.
3. Beben agua en el mismo jarrito.
4. Cada perico a su estaca, cada changa a su mecate.
5. Caras vemos, corazones no sabemos.
6. Darle un beso a la botella.
7. De la subida más alta es la caída más lastimosa.
8. En menos que canta un gallo.
9. Estar como perro en barrio ajeno.
10. Más loco que una cabra.