

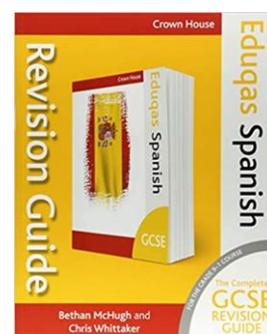
SPANISH GCSE-SUMMER 2023- STUDENT STUDY SUPPORT

WJEC/EDUQAS GCSE (9-1)	Link to download specification
Spanish	https://www.eduqas.co.uk/media/2ryknb1s/eduqas-gcse-spanish-spec-from-2016-e-04-11-2020.pdf

The Exam board - EDUQAS

Pupils complete the exams at the end of Year 11; each exam is worth 25% of the final grade.

May 2023 Listening – 9/10 questions. Listening comprehension with multiple choice answers, completing tables, ticking correct statements and giving written responses in English. Some questions and multiple-choice answers in Spanish at Higher level. F-35 minutes- (45 marks). H-45 minutes- (45 marks).



(Same day as Listening) Reading – 9/10 questions. Reading comprehension with multiple choice answers, completing tables, ticking correct statements and giving written responses in English, including one translation from Spanish to English. F-1 hour- (60 marks). H-1 hour 15 minutes- (60 marks).

June 2023 Writing- FOUNDATION - 4 questions.

F-1 hour 15 minutes – (60 marks)

All writing is in Spanish. Instructions are in Spanish in Q1, Q2 & 3 but in English in Q4.

Q1	6 full sentences (0-2 marks max for each if full message is clear-even if there are a few mistakes!)	12 marks
Q2	60 words. Fairly detailed facts, ideas and opinions. Up to 10 marks for what you say (content), up to 6 marks for how you say it (accuracy) using correct vocabulary and simple grammatical structures. PRESENT TENSE ONLY.	16 marks
Q3	90-120 words - more detailed facts, ideas and opinions. Up to 10 marks for what you say (content), up to 10 marks for how you say it (accuracy) using more varied vocabulary, more complex grammatical structures and 3 TENSES MUST BE USED.	20 marks
Q4	Translation from English into Spanish, 5 separate sentences. Marks available per part-phrase so always have a go at any words you know.	12 marks

Writing- HIGHER - 3 questions. H-1 hour 30 minutes – (60 marks)

All writing is in Spanish. Instructions are in Spanish in Q1 & 2 but English in Q3.

Q1	90-120 words - more detailed facts, ideas and opinions. Up to 10 marks for what you say (content), up to 10 marks for how you say it (accuracy) using more varied vocabulary, more complex grammatical structures and 3 TENSES MUST BE USED	20 marks
Q2	150-180 words. Choice of 2 tasks. Detailed facts ideas and opinions. Up to 18 marks for what you say (content) and up to 10 marks for how you say it (accuracy), 3 TENSES MUST BE USED.	28 marks



Q3	Translation of a paragraph from English into Spanish, 50ish words. Marks available per part-phrase so always have a go at any words you know.	12 marks
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Speaking – to be completed beginning of May 2023.

Pupils have 12 minutes with the exam paper before the exam to make notes in Spanish. Pupils bring the notes into the actual exam and can refer to them during the exam.

3 tasks	Foundation 12 mins Preparation. 7-9 mins testing. 60 marks in total	Higher 12 mins Preparation. 10-12 mins testing. 60 marks in total
1. Role-play 15 marks	Given 5 bullet points on a topic. Some tenses are expected. In addition, pupils will have to ask a question and be prepared to answer an unseen question.	As for Foundation, except pupils are expected to use at least 2 tenses and justify opinions.
2. Photo card Discussion 15 marks (incl 5 for use of grammar)	4 questions. 2 seen, 2 unseen. The first Q will always be “ describe the photo ”.	4 questions. 2 seen, 2 unseen. The first Q will always be “ say what is happening in the photo ”.
3. Conversation parts 1 & 2 30 marks total. (incl 10 for use of grammar)	Part 1: Students choose a topic to discuss in Spanish from a choice of 3. This will have already been prepared by the pupil in advance of the exam. The student starts the conversation. Spend 1 ½ - 2 mins on each topic (total 3-4 min). Part 2: another topic, this time chosen by the examination board.	As for Foundation but - spend 2 ½ -3 ½ mins on each topic (total 5-7 min).

What can you do to help?

- Help with **speaking** preparation at home by testing and helping students to learn the answers to the conversation questions.
- Practise/test your children on the vocabulary from the booklet.
- Access/download past papers from the exam board website. Sound files and mark schemes are available too.
- Revision resources will be available to buy on ParentPay.

Useful Spanish websites

<https://www.memrise.com/> Search for Spanish GCSE vocabulary and practise the verbs or by topic area.

<http://www.linguascope.com/> username: ephsmfl password: - ilovelangs

www.textivate.com Copy and paste your text to practise and revise for the Speaking and Writing.



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