

AP Spanish Language and Culture-Bienvenidos a la clase de español

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Summer Assignment 2017

¡Felicitaciones! I am glad that you have chosen to continue your study of Spanish through the AP level. This will help you to be well prepared for Spanish courses when you enroll in college. Please realize that our District pays the **100 dollars** for you to take this exam for **free** so please take advantage of the opportunity you have to save thousands of dollars in college. I would love for you to shoot for a score of a 4 or a 5, you are capable if you decide to be resourceful and committed to your education!

The AP Spanish Language Exam is the first week of May and it is designed to test your skills to see how well the results compare to abilities found in a **third year college class**. The exam will test all of the major language skills: **reading comprehension, writing skills, speaking ability and listening comprehension**, in addition to general cultural knowledge of the Hispanic world. Therefore, you will need to continue your practice in your skill areas this summer. The goals of this summer assignment are to improve your vocabulary so that you can communicate better in writing and speaking next year, to become **familiar with various aspects of a Spanish-speaking culture**, and to familiarize yourself with the 2018 AP Spanish Language and Culture exam.

Make sure you write all your summer assignments neatly or **you type them if your handwriting is atrocious**. In addition, you must have a 3 by 5 card with an outline for each topic because you will be presenting what you learned the first week of school.

Summer Assignment #1-vocabulario

Your first assignment will be to keep a list of vocabulary that you learn this summer. How are you going to gain vocabulary? Read things online, look for videos on Pinterest, watch movies, shows and listen to music! The vocabulary should be at an AP level. It should not be words that you already know. You will number each word and next to it, write a synonym in Spanish. Use www.wordreference.com to find your synonyms. Have at least 200 words and please use the front and back of each page you utilize.

This assignment is worth 100 points.

Summer Assignment #2-sección de la comparación cultural

Your assignment will be to do enough research and answer the following questions intelligently and with **depth**. Use the Internet to investigate (Pinterest has a lot of videos and information en español), be sure to type in the topic in Spanish and you will find a lot, for example type in las familias y las comunidades.. You will write/type 150-200 words in Spanish about each of the following questions. On each page, start with the number and the question. Then, write down the website(s) you consulted to gather your info, **please print at least one article for each** question because you will refer to them throughout the year for you to be prepared for the A.P EXAM in MAY. You may use the front and back of each paper or you can also type them if you would like. Use your own words in Spanish **in order to avoid plagiarism**. **Do not copy directly from the website**. **This assignment is worth 200 points. Be sure to have a 3 by 5 card filled out for each topic because you will present what you learned on each topic as soon as we begin school en agosto! ☺** Each time that you answer each question/topic, you will be addressing the topic

by comparing a Spanish speaking country to the United States. For example, what is the role of family in forming/instilling values in young people in the United States vs. a Spanish speaking country?

1. ¿Cuál es el papel de la familia en la formación de los valores de los jóvenes? Y ¿Cómo afecta la tecnología ahora en día a nuestras familias? Encuentra lo positivo y lo negativo

What is the role of the family in forming /instilling values in young adolescents? And how does technology affect our families now days? Find the positive and the negative in how technology affects young people and how it affects you.

2. ¿Qué importancia tienen las acciones individuales para mejorar el mundo, ya sea local o globalmente? Investiga Shakira y su organización Pies Descalzos y también investiga Angelina Jolie o Nelson Mandela. Y ¿qué haces tú para mejorar tu comunidad? Dame ejemplos

What importance do individual actions have on improving the world whether is it locally or globally? Research Shakira and her organization Pies Descalzos and also research Angelina Jolie and Neslon Mandela on what they are doing/have done to improve the world. What do you do to make a difference in your community? Give me examples. If you don't do any kind of volunteer work, what would you like to do to make a difference???

3. ¿Qué hechos=incidentes y acontecimientos=events son considerados manifestaciones del impacto humano sobre el medioambiente?

What incidents and events are manifestations of the human impact on the environment?

4. ¿Cuál es la importancia de las bellas artes en la sociedad moderna?

What is the importance of the arts (plays, movies, museums, music=concerts) in our modern society? Be sure to research the museums in Barcelona, Es

5. ¿Cuál es el papel del gobierno en el bienestar social de una sociedad?

What is the role of the government in the wellbeing of a society?

One great idea would be to research Venezuela and their government versus what does the U.S. government does for its citizens?

6. ¿Qué problemas éticos enfrentan los investigadores científicos en su trabajo?

What ethical problems confront scientists now days in their work?

7. Investiga/Research un/una artista como Frida Kahlo, Diego Rivera, Antonio Berni, Fernando, o Francisco De Goya.

Research/Find out about his/her life and what inspired him/her to do the type of art he/she did.

8. Investiga/Research Antonio Gaudí, un arquitecto famoso de España. Find out a bit about his personal life and all the famous places he designed and built in Barcelona and compare his work to a famous architect here in the United States.

Summer Assignment #3

Familiarize yourself with the exam

Become familiar with everything that is published on the AP website about this exam. The test changes periodically, so try to find out specifically about the 2017 exam. Look up past essays, emails, multiple choice questions and more and see how they were scored by the A.P. graders.

<https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/apcourse/ap-spanish-language/about-the-exam?spanlang>

<http://advancesinap.collegeboard.org/world-languages/spanish>

Look at the tips that the College Board suggests for you:

<https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/apcourse/ap-spanish-language/exam-tips>

After you have read through everything, write a short summary (+/-150 words) in Spanish of what you have learned about the exam. Include some ideas of how you will be able to best study over the course of the year. You can also include your hopes, plans, areas of concern, etc. **This assignment is worth 50 points.**

Email your summary to Sra. Cortés (ana.cortesholbert@guhsdaz.org) by Monday, June 26th

Optional: Grammar review

You will help yourself immensely if you review and refine your grammar skills prior to the beginning of the school year.

Specific topics include: Present tense, Preterit tense, Imperfect tense, Ser vs. Estar, Progressive Tenses,

☒ Present Subjunctive, Present Perfect, Subjunctive, Imperfect Subjunctive, Commands, Future tense, ☒

Conditional tense, Por vs. Para

These sites are good for general grammar practice:

<http://www.colby.edu/~bknelson/SLC/index.php> <http://www.quia.com> <http://www.conjuguemos.com>

<http://www.bowdoin.edu/~eyepes/newgr/ats/>

Also, this site has a wealth of links that will help you with you Spanish studies:

<http://www.symbaloo.com/mix/enlacesutiles1>

