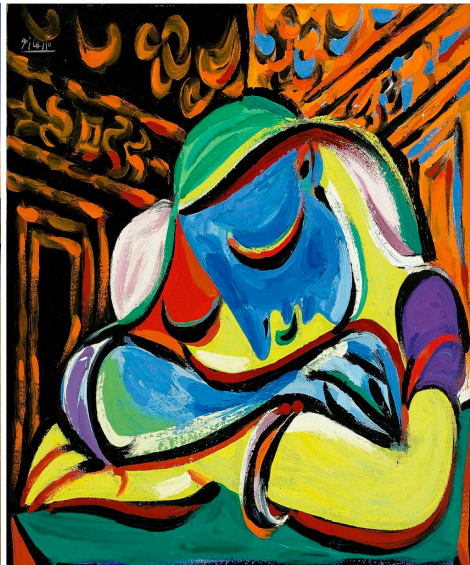




**Bloxham School**

# Spanish

A Level



# Why choose this subject?



- A level Spanish is ideal for students who are interested in what makes people tick.
- It offers a fascinating insight into the modern day and historical culture of Spanish speaking countries – el mundo hispanohablante.
- Students move away from transactional GCSE language and learn how to confidently engage in a conversation about politics, Spanish art or immigration.
- The broad range of topics to encourage curiosity and deeper understanding.
- We explore the worlds of music, cinema, literature and art.

# The nature of the course



- Examination board: AQA
- Course contents:
- Topics in L6: las familias, el ciberespacio, la igualdad, el patrimonio cultural y la identidad regional .
- Topics in U6: la inmigración, el racismo, la integración, la política, monarquías y dictaduras y movimientos sociales.
- There is a study of a novel and film as part of the written exam.

# Examination structure



- The AQA A level exam is in three parts.
- Paper 1 – Listening, Reading and Writing (translation from French to English and English to French).
- Paper 2 – Writing – two essays in Spanish on the novel and film studied.
- Paper 3 – Speaking – a stimulus card on one of the A level topics; an Individual Research Project (IRP) on an aspect of modern life from el mundo hispanohablante.

# With which subjects can it be combined?



- Spanish can be combined with all sorts of different A level subjects: History, Politics, Geography, English Literature, Theology, French, Psychology, Economics, Maths, Art, Business Studies, Sciences. The possibilities are endless.
- Spanish at A level develops excellent transferable thinking skills which can be applied across curriculum areas and used in Higher education and the workplace.



# What do we expect from candidates?

Candidates should

- be curious about culture, people, ways of life in different countries, language and communication.
- engage in the contemporary and historical political, artistic, economic and social life of hispanic countries.
- be prepared to do independent research and to keep abreast of issues in the media.

Immersion in everything the hispanic world has to offer will reap dividends in terms of breadth and depth of knowledge.

# Higher Education and Careers?



- The world is your oyster if you speak a language in addition to English!
- You will pick up new languages more quickly and can study numerous languages from scratch at university.
- All universities offer a wide range of courses which combine languages with politics, law, business, journalism and the humanities, to name a few.
- There are opportunities for study or work abroad as part of so many varied degree courses.
- Jobs which require language skills are plentiful.
- The financial sector and corporate businesses favour graduates with language skills.

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