

AP SPANISH SUMMER ASSIGNMENTS 2022-2023

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¡Bienvenidos a la clase de español! You have chosen to continue your study of Spanish at the AP level. The AP Spanish Language and Culture Exam (May 2024) is designed to test your skills in order to see how well they compare to abilities found in a third year college course. The exam will test all of the major language skills: listening, reading comprehension, speaking, and writing in addition to general cultural knowledge of the Hispanic World. I welcome you to this rewarding and challenging course and to this journey exploring six major themes of study

Themes for AP Spanish Language and Culture

1. Beauty and Aesthetics
2. Global Challenges
3. Science and Technology
4. Families and Communities
5. Personal and Public Identities
6. Contemporary Life.

Rationale for Summer Assignments

Students enrolled in AP Spanish are required to complete the summer assignment prior to the start of class in September . The assignments integrate the use of technology while maintaining the integrity of language acquisition through real-life experiences. Summer assignments have been selected to continue the development of more advanced communication skills in listening, speaking, reading, and writing.

General Directions:

Read the assignment descriptions carefully. Each assignment has some required activities. You may use dictionaries, grammar books, www.wordreference.com , www.rae.es etc.

Bring all of your work on the first day of class in September 2023.

Class NOTE: These summer assignments will not take too much time each week, but the work should be spread out throughout the summer rather than trying to cram everything into a few days. You may end up with a big headache. Cramming does not work with any language.

Assignment # 1

Familiarize yourself with the exam. Become familiar with EVERYTHING that is published on the AP website about this exam. Go to the College Board website and read about the exam.

<https://apcentral.collegeboard.org/courses/ap-spanish-language-and-culture/exam>

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

<https://apstudents.collegeboard.org/ap-world-languages-and-culture-exam-tips>

b) When you have done this, please write a short summary (70-80 words) in Spanish of what you learned about this exam. Include some ideas of how you will be able to study best over the course of the year. (25 points)

Assignment # 2: Reading

You will read 10 articles in Spanish from a Spanish language online newspaper or magazine. You may choose articles that are interesting to you and appropriate for school. Please do not choose more than two articles on the same topic. You must be able to relate the articles to one of the six AP themes. These articles must be written in Spanish and may not be translations of an article in English. Prepare a short summary in Spanish of each article (10-12 sentences). Make a list of important vocabulary words (8-10) and their definitions in Spanish. Print a copy (or save it as PDF) of the article and be sure to include the reference from where you obtained the article. Use the worksheet provided to complete each article summary. You may want to get your article from one of the following websites:

- a) Muy Interesante <https://www.muyinteresante.es/>
- b) La Nación Argentina <http://www.lanacion.com.ar/>
- c) El País (España) www.elpais.com
- d) Univision Noticias <https://www.univision.com/noticias>
- e) El Universal México <https://www.eluniversal.com.mx/>
- f) Yahoo en Español <http://espanol.news.yahoo.com/>
- g) El Mundo <https://www.elmundo.es/>
- h) National Geographic en Español <https://www.ngenespanol.com/>
- i) Primeras Noticias. Asociacion de Prensa Juvenil <https://primerasnoticias.com/>

Assignment # 3: Writing

You will write 5 journal entries in Spanish. You may not get help from a friend or website but you may use a dictionary if needed. You should be creative and your information does not have to be true, but your writing should be organized and make sense to the reader. You must use the ideas below for your journal entries:

- a) a description of a popular Hispanic tradition or celebration
- b) a description of how your family celebrates major holidays
- c) an autobiographical description of your family's most important tradition
- d) a biography of a superhero, famous person, favorite person
- e) a description of a favorite movie, book, musical group
- f) an essay about your use of social media
- g) an essay that begins if I could change one thing...Si pudiera cambiar una cosa...
- h) an essay to explain the importance of vacations and time off
- i) an essay to describe a new summer holiday
- j) a list of the top 10 reasons you are taking AP Spanish Language

Assignment # 4: Listening

You will practice listening Spanish. You should complete 6 hours of listening. You must write a short summary of the activities you choose but remember the emphasis is listening. You will give a brief oral report to the class in the first week of school about your listening activities. See Google classroom for a list of recommended movies and podcasts. Choose from the following activities to complete your 6 hours:

- a) Watch a movie or television show in Spanish. Write a short summary of the plot or action.
- b) Create a music playlist with your favorite Spanish songs.

Assignment # 5: Speaking

You will practice Speaking in Spanish.

- a) Interview a Spanish speaking friend, neighbor or family member. Record the conversation, with permission. Your interview should include different information about pastimes, school, work, etc.
- b) Speaking prompt: You will choose **5 prompts** and you will make short oral responses about the topics. Use Spanish speaking communities as examples, compare and contrast, and provide detailed information in 2 minute responses. Each response should be close to 2 minutes. Record your responses in your cell phone (using a voice recorder) and make sure you share them to my email before the first day of school. Speak loudly and clearly. You may research information, use background knowledge, personal experiences or what you have studied in previous classes.

Actividad 1: ¿Que importancia tiene la familia en la vida de los individuos de tu comunidad?

Actividad 2: ¿Que importancia tienen las instituciones culturales en la vitalidad de tu comunidad?

Actividad 3: ¿Como ha afectado el liderazgo de las mujeres la vida de las personas en tu comunidad?

Actividad 4: ¿Que pasos ha tomado tu comunidad para la prevencion de enfermedades y para mantener saludables a sus miembros?

Actividad 5: ¿Que importancia tiene la celebracion de los días patrioticos en tu comunidad?

Actividad 6: ¿Que evento reúne y solidariza a las personas en tu comunidad?

Actividad 7: ¿Que importancia tienen las artes en tu comunidad?

Actividad 8: ¿Que efectos han tenido los avances tecnologicos en la calidad de vida de las personas en tu comunidad?

Actividad 9: Como han contribuido los deportistas profesionales al bienestar de tu comunidad?

Actividad 10: ¿Cuales son los desafios del sistema educativo en tu comunidad ?

AP Spanish Language News Article Sheet

Please complete the following information in SPANISH

Título del artículo _____

Autor _____ Fecha _____

Nombre del periódico o sitio web _____

Tema AP

Parte I. Escribe 10 nuevas palabras que leíste en el artículo.

LISTA DE NUEVAS PALABRAS.

	Palabra Nueva	Sinonimo or Definicion
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Parte II. Escribe 10 oraciones usando las palabras que aprendiste cuando leíste el artículo

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