

Reading and Writing Spanish Online-Beginner 2

Course Outline

Reading and Writing Spanish is a fully online Spanish program for students from beginner 2 to advanced levels. This program will assist you in developing your Spanish language proficiency and understanding of the rich Hispano-American culture. All courses are flexible, suit individual schedules and time constraints, and deliver learning outcomes in practical and interactive ways.

The features of Reading and Writing Spanish online courses include:

- flexibility to suit individual schedules and time constraints.
- engaging readings organized into thematic lessons dealing with cultural issues.
- dynamic and engaging lessons, customizable to suit students' specific learning needs.
- full instructor support, ongoing assessment, forum discussions, surveys and wiki-based collaboration.

Course Structure

Each course consists of nine units; each unit is to be completed in one week. The units focus on real intercultural topics and review of grammar points. All courses contain a variety of readings from authentic sources, grammar explanation with practice, glossaries, idiomatic expressions, and interactive activities in forums, wikis, and others.

Reading and Writing Spanish online courses are designed so you can interact with and learn from your online classmates and your instructor. We expect that students will require at least 3-4 hours per week to complete the activities. However, if good discussions are under way, you may spend extra time.

Learner Outcomes

The learner outcomes of the Reading and Writing Spanish online courses are:

develop fundamental writing and reading skills that help to improve your Spanish language proficiency.

reflect on cultural issues and apply your Spanish language skills to real-life situations.

communicate across linguistic and cultural boundaries.



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Extended Learning

Culture

Language and culture are inextricably linked. Teaching culture is an integral component of our Spanish courses.

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At this level you have already had experience with the language in school or maybe through a beginner course. You can communicate in simple and routine tasks requiring a simple and direct exchange of information on familiar and routine matters. You will add to your basic vocabulary in everyday situations involving travel, food, shopping, transportation, family and business. You will significantly improve your functional ability when using direct and indirect pronouns, speaking in the present tense, the future, and the simple past.

Topics that may be covered in this course (Temas):

- El Quinceañero
- Premio Nobel de Literatura
- Una vivienda minimalista
- Gastronomía peruana: historia e identidad
- Pedro Páramo
- La conquista de dos grandes imperios
- Justicia para Guatemala
- El arte de pintar
- Íconos Latinoamericanos

Grammar topics that may be covered in this course (Gramática):

- Perífrasis verbales
- Interrogativos y pronombres demostrativos
- Pronombres de objeto directo
- Pronombres de objeto indirecto
- Pretérito indefinido
- Conocer vs. Saber
- Pretérito perfecto
- Futuro simple
- Revisión