



## AQA GCSE French/Spanish Mock Revision List

Year 11 – March 2025

<p><b>Paper 1: Listening</b> <u>Foundation:</u> 35 minutes (40 marks) <u>Higher:</u> 45 minutes (50 marks) 25% of GCSE</p>	<p><b>Section A</b> – questions in English, to be answered in English <b>Section B</b> – questions in Spanish/French, to be answered in Spanish/French</p>
<p><b>Paper 2: Speaking</b> <u>Foundation:</u> 7-9 minutes (60 marks) <u>Higher:</u> 10-12 minutes (60 marks) 25% of GCSE</p>	<p><b>Role-play</b> – 15 marks (2 minutes at Foundation; 2 minutes at Higher) <b>Photo card</b> – 15 marks (2 minutes at Foundation; 3 minutes at Higher) <b>General conversation</b> – 30 marks (3–5 minutes at Foundation; 5–7 minutes at Higher)</p>
<p><b>Paper 3: Reading</b> <u>Foundation:</u> 45 minutes (60 marks) <u>Higher:</u> 1 hour (60 marks) 25% of GCSE</p>	<p><b>Section A</b> – questions in English, to be answered in English <b>Section B</b> – questions in Spanish/French, to be answered in Spanish/French <b>Section C</b> – translation from Spanish/French into English (a minimum of 35 words at Foundation and 50 words at Higher)</p>
<p><b>Paper 4: Writing</b> <u>Foundation:</u> 1 hour (50 marks) <u>Higher:</u> 1 hour 15 minutes (60 marks) 25% of GCSE</p>	<p><b>Foundation Tier</b> <b>Question 1</b> – message (student produces four sentences in response to a photo) – 8 marks <b>Question 2</b> – short passage (student writes a piece of continuous text in response to four brief bullet points, approximately 40 words in total) – 16 marks <b>Question 3</b> – translation from English into Spanish/French (minimum 35 words) – 10 marks <b>Question 4</b> – structured writing task (student responds to four compulsory detailed bullet points, producing approximately 90 words in total) – there is a choice from two questions – 16 marks <b>Higher Tier</b> <b>Question 1</b> – structured writing task (student responds to four compulsory detailed bullet points, producing approximately 90 words in total) – there is a choice from two questions – 16 marks <b>Question 2</b> – open-ended writing task (student responds to two compulsory detailed bullet points, producing approximately 150 words in total) – there is a choice from two questions – 32 marks <b>Question 3</b> – translation from English into Spanish/French (minimum 50 words) – 12 marks</p>



## Specification & Link to Past Papers

[GCSE Spanish Specification Specification for first teaching in 2016](#)

[GCSE French Specification Specification for first teaching in 2016](#)

## Key Information

### Theme 1: Identity and culture

**Topic 1:** Me, my family and friends. Relationships with family and friends. Marriage/partnership

**Topic 2:** Technology in everyday life. Social media. Mobile technology

**Topic 3:** Free-time activities. Music. Cinema and TV. Food and eating out. Sport

**Topic 4:** Customs and festivals in Spanish-speaking countries/communities

### Theme 2: Local, national, international and global areas of interest

**Topic 1:** Home, town, neighbourhood and region

**Topic 2:** Social issues. Charity/voluntary work. Healthy/unhealthy living

**Topic 3:** Global issues. The environment. Poverty/homelessness

**Topic 4:** Travel and tourism

### Theme 3: Current and future study and employment

**Topic 1:** My studies

**Topic 2:** Life at school/college

**Topic 3:** Education post-16

**Topic 4:** Jobs, career choices and ambitions

## Essential equipment

Black pens.

## Revision materials

GCSE Spanish/French Knowledge organiser. Role play. Photo Card & General Conversation Booklets. CGP Grade 9-1 GCSE French/Spanish: AQA revision guides and workbooks. Revision resources on Teams, SharePoint, Languagenut, GCSEpod and Kerboodle.

## Suggested revision activities

Make mind maps, revision mats or flash cards for each topic. Answer practice exam questions and use mark schemes to check and correct your answers. There are practice questions and mark schemes on Teams. Make consistent and purposeful use of Languagenut. Log in to GCSEpod and Kerboodle and use the revision materials and online tests. You can also use BBC Bitesize but ensure you select the right exam board and tier (AQA GCSE French/Spanish exams until 2025).