

Year 6 Spanish Revision Guide 2015

Below are some guidelines to help the pupils in preparation for the end of year 6 exam.

The exam will comprise a **Reading paper (30 minutes)**, and a **Writing paper (30 minutes)**. It is based on the vocabulary topics and grammar covered this year, and the tasks are broadly in the style of Common Entrance, with which the pupils are familiar from exercises and assessments produced over the academic year. The writing exam will offer pupils scope to implement the full range of vocabulary and grammar from the Year 6 course.

Tips and tricks as you start to study for the exams:

- **Revise lists A to W only from the A5 overview 'Year 6 Spanish vocabulary' list , which is units 1-3 of Listos 1 textbook.** The pupils have had weekly tests from this booklet – teachers have further copies.
- **Revision booklet** – this has been put together to help you revise units 1 and 2 Listos 1. Each pupil will receive a copy before the Easter holidays.
- Test yourself or get somebody to test you and go over the last revised topic you covered before you start a further topic. Imagine you are building a wall of vocabulary knowledge!
- Approach your learning in a variety of ways to keep the revision fresh and interesting. As well as writing the words down, consider **recording vocabulary** on to MP3 player/ I phone/I pad leaving a pause after each word / phrase and play back to yourself several times, repeating the word(s) in the pause. Record yourself talking about the topics in Spanish. Some topics / lists lend themselves better to this than others eg **pets, months of the year, family members**. Time yourself and see whether you can build on your fluency, variety and accuracy of vocabulary used; are your genders correct?
- Perhaps stick **post-it stickers** with vocabulary around your room or even the house Re-read parts of the relevant chapters in the Spanish exercise book and Listos Cuaderno to recap vocabulary in context - all chapters conclude with an overview of the same and further vocabulary.
- Try to do **a little each day** rather than cramming it in. You cannot cram vocabulary.
- Go over your grammar notes, concentrating again on one grammar point at a time. Concentrate on verb endings and noun and adjective agreement.
- Go onto the computer - **recommended websites are: See VLE for further list of recommended sites and passwords.**

www.Oye.org.uk (check you know the password)

www.linguascope (check you know the password)

www.languagesonline.co.uk (no password needed)

GCSEbitsize is also good for some challenging tasks; the 'reading' section is the most useful for you

If you google-search '**grammar games**' you get some more websites, especially designed to revise grammar points, and individual topics but you will need to be selective. Languages online is a good site for grammar.

- Finally, get lots of sleep in the time leading up to your exam!

The **grammar** areas you should revise are:

1. **Present tense verbs**: regular -ar / er, verbs
- irregular present verbs ser - estar - and tener (see exercise book)
2. **Adjectival endings** with nouns including colours eg un perro negro, los ojos azules.
3. **Constructing questions** (question words) ¿Qué? (what?) ¿Por qué? (why?) ¿Quién? (who?) ¿Cuánto? (how much?) ¿Dónde? (Where?) ¿Cuándo? (When?)
4. To ensure all pages from “**Listos cuaderno A**” are completed (from pg 2 to pg 24)

¡Buena suerte!

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