Foreign Language Training – Spanish (Beginner)

Overview

No prior knowledge of Spanish is required as the course is for complete beginners. Classes are delivered online or can be arranged for face-to-face if requested.

Course Objectives

The objective of this course is to acquire basic language skills and to achieve the equivalent of A1/A2 level of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR).

By the end of the course, you will:

- be able to understand general and detailed information and to communicate in standard speech on a range of everyday issues
- be able to read printed and handwritten script on a limited number of everyday topics
- be able to write simple texts using descriptive language accurately
- have developed intercultural competence

How is the course taught?

- A communicative approach is used. All four skills (speaking, reading, listening and writing) are practised, with the main emphasis on speaking.
- Students engage in interactive language activities, participating in group and pair work based on systematic grammatical progression.
- Students will also be offered guidance in self-study and set homework tasks.

Course Content

Topics

Greetings and introductions
Personal information
Formal and informal ways of addressing people
Alphabet and numbers
Accommodation: Rooms and furniture
Public places
Time and days of the week
Sports and Leisure
Likes and dislikes
Family and Friends

Daily routines
Weekend activities
Food
Town and Country
Past actions and events
Invitations
Places of interest and cultural events
Wishes
Feelings and moods
Health, body and mind
Historical events

Functions

Greeting and introducing people
Asking for and giving personal information
Using formal and informal modes of address
Asking for and giving directions

Asking and telling the time
Shopping
Describing and locating objects and furniture
Describing people and places
Talking about daily routine and weekend activities
Asking and giving information about food
Ordering food
Expressing preferences about food
Taking about cause and effect
Talking about past events
Talking about habits
Making recommendations

Grammar
Number and gender agreement
Definite and indefinite articles
Demonstrative pronouns
Personal and interrogative pronouns
Present Tense: regular and irregular forms
Quantifiers
Prepositions of place
Some uses of verbs ser and estar
Use of verb haber
Imperative affirmative of some verbs
Verb parecer
Verbs gustar and encantar
Revision of the Present tense: regular and irregular forms
Reflexive verbs
Adverbs of frequency
Verbs llevar, probar, hacer
Impersonal “Se”
Prepositions
Verb + Infinitive

Talking about duration of actions
Talking about action in progress
Talking about experiences
Asking for and giving permission
Asking for things, actions & favours
Expressing plans and intentions
Expressing wishes
Giving advice
Talking about different historical periods

Preterite tense
Verbs and expressions to talk about things/actions we find difficult: Me cuesta ...
Tener que + infinitive
Hace 2 años ...
The Present continuous
¿Puedo ...? ¡Te importa si...?
¿Me prestas...? ¿Tienes ...
The Present perfect (Pretérito Perfecto)
Pretérito Perfecto + ya - aún / todavía no
Ir a + infinitive
Querer, pensar + infinitive
Present perfect v. Preterite
More uses of verbs Ser and Estar Verb dolor
The Imperative
The Imperfect tense
Preterite v. Imperfect

Course details

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| Max delegates: | 6 Face-to-face |
|               | 6 Online |

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