



## Edexcel French and Spanish New GCSE 2026

### **Paper 1: Speaking**

Internally conducted and externally assessed: Foundation tier: 7-9 minutes plus 15 minutes' preparation time; 50 marks Higher tier: 10-12 minutes plus 15 minutes' preparation time; 50 marks 25% of the qualification

Task 1: Read aloud (12 marks) Task 2: Role play (10 marks) Task 3: Picture task (12 marks) with conversation (16 marks)

### **Paper 2: Listening and understanding**

Written examination: Foundation tier: 45 minutes, including 5 minutes' reading time, 50 marks Higher tier: 60 minutes, including 5 minutes' reading time, 50 marks 25% of the qualification

Section A: Listening (40 marks) Students respond to multiple-choice, multiple-response and short-answer open response questions. All questions are set in English and students produce all responses in English. Section B: Dictation (10 marks) Students are assessed on their ability to transcribe spoken target language into written target language. They will be rewarded for their accuracy of spelling based on their knowledge and understanding of the sound symbol correspondences (SSCs) listed in the specification

### **Paper 3: Reading and understanding**

Written examination: Foundation tier: 45 minutes, 50 marks Higher tier: 60 minutes, 50 marks 25% of the qualification

Section A: Reading and Understanding (40 marks) Students respond to multiple-choice, multiple-response and short-answer open response questions based on these texts. All questions are set in English and students produce all responses in English. Section B: Translation into English (10 marks) Students translate a passage from target language into English, with instructions in English.

### **Paper 4: Writing**

Written examination: Foundation tier: 1 hour 15 minutes; 50 marks. Higher tier: 1 hour 20 minutes; 50 marks. 25% of the qualification

Foundation Tier • Question 1: picture-based task (8 marks) • Question 2: one of two open-response questions, set in formal context (14 marks) • Question 3: one of two open-response questions, set in informal context (18 marks) • Question 4: translation into target language (10 marks)

Higher Tier • Question 1: one of two open-response questions, set in informal context (18 marks) • Question 2: one of two open-response questions, set in formal context (22 marks) • Question 3: translation into target language (10 marks)

# How to revise at DLS

## Modern Foreign Languages

### How to use the resources and websites

1. Use **quizlet.com** to practise recall. You assess what you know well and identify where you have knowledge gaps.
2. Use **senecalearning.com** to test your grammar, listening, reading and writing skills. Make a free account and add the AQA Spanish GCSE course.
3. Use **bbc.com/bitesize** to practise exam style questions, phonics to help reading aloud and grammar.
4. Use the **Oak Academy** for support with examination techniques, especially longer tasks.

### Recommended websites/resources

[GCSE French - Edexcel \(for exams from 2026\) - BBC Bitesize](#)

[GCSE Spanish - Edexcel \(for exams from 2026\) - BBC Bitesize](#)

<https://app.senecalearning.com/>

[Free KS4 Teaching Resources for Lesson Planning | Oak National Academy \(thenational.academy\)](#)

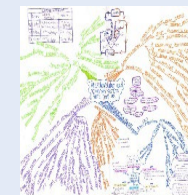
### Suggested Revision Techniques

Flashcards – write Spanish/French on one side and English on the other



Quizzes

**Quizlet**



Mind maps

Audio Bites



Revision Notes

# Coming soon...

Students will be given user accounts to ActiveHub to enable them to complete homeworks linked to the course book.

As the course book is a newly published resource, activation and set up of these accounts has been problematic. However, we hope to have these activated before half-term.



Pearson  
ActiveHub

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The following slides contain QR codes that link to quizlet for both French and Spanish. These links are for the new specification for Edexcel.

**Students can spend time practising at home independently and consolidate the topics and themes they are studying in school.**



# Edexcel 2024 GCSE Spanish

## Thematic Context 1: My Personal World

### Equality

**Foundation**



**Higher**



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## Thematic Context 1: My Personal World

### Family

**Foundation**



**Higher**



# Edexcel 2024 GCSE Spanish

## Thematic Context 1: My Personal World

### Friendship

**Foundation**



**Higher**



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## Thematic Context 1: My Personal World

### Relationships

**Foundation**



**Higher**





# Edexcel 2024 GCSE Spanish

## Thematic Context 2: Lifestyle and Wellbeing

### Food and Drink

**Foundation**



**Higher**



# Edexcel 2024 GCSE Spanish

## Thematic Context 2: Lifestyle and Wellbeing

### Mental Wellbeing

**Foundation**



**Higher**



# Edexcel 2024 GCSE Spanish

## Thematic Context 2: Lifestyle and Wellbeing

### Music

**Foundation**



**Higher**



# Edexcel 2024 GCSE Spanish

## Thematic Context 2: Lifestyle and Wellbeing

### Physical Wellbeing

**Foundation**



**Higher**



# Edexcel 2024 GCSE Spanish

## Thematic Context 2: Lifestyle and Wellbeing

### Shopping

**Foundation**



**Higher**



# Edexcel 2024 GCSE Spanish

## Thematic Context 2: Lifestyle and Wellbeing

### Sports

**Foundation**



**Higher**



# Edexcel 2024 GCSE Spanish

## Thematic Context 2: Lifestyle and Wellbeing

### TV and Film

**Foundation**



**Higher**



# Edexcel 2024 GCSE Spanish

## Thematic Context 3: My Neighbourhood

### Environmental Issues

**Foundation**



**Higher**





# Edexcel 2024 GCSE Spanish

## Thematic Context 3: My Neighbourhood

### Places in Town

**Foundation**



**Higher**



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## Thematic Context 3: My Neighbourhood

### The Natural World

**Foundation**



**Higher**



# Edexcel 2024 GCSE Spanish

## Thematic Context 4: Media and Technology

### Social Media and Gaming

**Foundation**



**Higher**



# Edexcel 2024 GCSE Spanish

## Thematic Context 5: Studying and My Future

### Future Opportunities

**Foundation**



**Higher**



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## Thematic Context 5: Studying and My Future School

**Foundation**



**Higher**



# Edexcel 2024 GCSE Spanish

## Thematic Context 6: Travel and Tourism

### Accommodation

**Foundation**



**Higher**



# Edexcel 2024 GCSE Spanish

## Thematic Context 6: Travel and Tourism

### Tourist Attractions

**Foundation**



**Higher**



# Edexcel 2024 GCSE Spanish

## Thematic Context 6: Travel and Tourism

### Transport

**Foundation**



**Higher**





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### Equality

**Foundation**



**Higher**



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### Family

**Foundation**



**Higher**



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## Thematic Context 6: Travel and Tourism

### Accommodation

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## Thematic Context 6: Travel and Tourism

### Cultural and Geographic

### **Foundation**



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## Thematic Context 6: Travel and Tourism

### Tourist Attractions

**Foundation**



**Higher**



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## Thematic Context 6: Travel and Tourism

### Transport

**Foundation**



**Higher**

