

Spanish

You should first ensure you have completed your homework assignments thoroughly and to the best of your ability, whether they are written pieces, listening work or learning for a test. Then, to undertake valuable extra work, the following suggestions will help you target areas that need greater practice.

Grammar

- Revise the grammar and tenses covered so far in your Grammar booklet and Booklet of tenses
- Use the 'Grammar workshops' on the Spanish intranet site for extra explanations
- Practise the grammar and tenses on the interactive exercises on the Spanish intranet site
- Use the <http://www.languagesonline.org.uk/> for further explanations and exercises
- Ask for an A2 mentor to help you work through translation sentences
- Come and work in B10 where there are practice exercises with answers in files for your use
- Arrange to meet up with a fellow Spanish student and work through exercises together

Reading

- Do the interactive reading exercises on the Spanish intranet (Interactive exercises → Topic exercises)
- Borrow magazines from the LRC or B10 (La Cometa for AS, Authentik for A2)
- Any online newspaper (El País, El Mundo)
- Websites like <http://www.asisehace.net/> <http://oye.languageskills.co.uk/index.html>

Listening

- Borrow magazines with the accompanying CD from the LRC or B10 (La Cometa for AS, Authentik for A2)
- Use the AS/A2 listening activities on the Spanish intranet site (the questions are there on the left followed by transcripts and answers, the sound files are on the right)
- Watch Spanish films (available from LRC to watch at home)

Topic knowledge

- Create your own mind maps/spider diagrams/powerpoints/index cards on each topic using the booklets in your file as reference)
- Use the revision powerpoints on the AS topics that are on the intranet ("Topic revision")

Essay writing

- Use the essay titles and vocab lists at the back of each unit to plan and practise essays
- There is a list of past exam essay titles on the Spanish intranet – practise by planning them
- When you get an essay back that has been marked, type it up again with the corrections amended.
- When you get an marked essay back, rewrite it acting on the comments, suggestions and corrections made.

Speaking

- Prepare the 'Preguntas Orales' at the back of each topic unit in your file.
- Use your Speaking Tutorial pack to revise
- Meet with a Spanish speaking friend and talk to each other in Spanish, asking and answering questions like the 'Preguntas Orales'

- Record the 'Preguntas orales' onto a sound file leaving a minute or more between questions: then keep playing it back so you can answer the questions in the gaps provided.