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Spanish Course Description

The Language Guru Course Description provides you with a detailed list of the various subjects and grammar points covered in each course.

Spanish Beginner 1

Communication Resources

- Giving and requesting personal details
- Saying hello and goodbye
- Asking about words
- Expressing intentions
- Explaining the reasons why we do things
- Speaking about what we know how to do in different languages
- Discovering places
- Expressing existence and location
- Talking about the climate

Grammar Resources

- Gender: masculine and feminine
- Present tense, the three conjugations: **-ar, -er, -ir**
- The verbs **ser, llamarse, tener**
- The **presente indicativo**
- Some uses of **a, con, de, por, para** and **porque**
- The definite article: **el, la, los, las**
- Personal pronouns
- Qualifiers: **bien, bastante bien, regular, mal**
- Some uses of **hay**
- The verb **estar**
- The superlative
- **Un / una / unos / unas**
- Quantifiers: **muy, mucho / mucha / muchos / muchas**
- **Qué, cuál / cuáles, cuántos / cuántas, dónde, cómo**

Vocabulary

- The numbers
- Nationalities
- Professions
- The alphabet
- Languages
- Activities in the language class
- Leisure activities
- The weather
- Geography
- Tourist attractions

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Spanish Beginner 2

Communication Resources

- Identifying objects
- Expressing needs
- Shopping: asking for items, asking about prices, etc.
- Talking about preferences
- Speaking about physical appearance and character
- Expressing and comparing likes, dislikes and interests
- Asking about likes and dislikes
- Speaking about personal relationships
- Speaking about habits
- Expressing frequency
- Asking and telling the time

Grammar Resources

- Demonstratives: **este / esta / estos / estas, esto**
- **El/la/los/las** + adjectives
- **Qué** + noun, **cuál/cuáles**
- **Tener que** + infinitive
- The verb **ir**
- The verb **preferir**
- The verb **gustar**
- Quantifiers: **muy, bastante, un poco**
- Possessives
- **También / tampoco**
- The **presente de indicativo** and some irregular verbs
- Reflexive verbs
- **Yo también / Yo tampoco / Yo sí / Yo no**
- **Primero / Después / Luego**

Vocabulary

- The numbers over 100
- The colours
- Clothes
- Everyday objects
- The family
- Adjectives to describe character
- Music
- The days of the week
- The parts of the day
- Daily activities

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Spanish Beginner 3

Communication Resources

- Eating out in bars and restaurants
- Ordering and giving information about food
- Speaking about different culinary habits
- Describing districts, towns and cities
- Discussing what we like most about a place
- Asking for and providing information on how to get to different locations
- Expressing likes and dislikes and emphasising different aspects
- Speaking about past experiences
- Speaking about skills and talents
- Speaking about people's good and bad points

Grammar Resources

- The impersonal form with **se**
- The verbs **poner** and **traer**
- Direct object pronouns: **lo, la, los, las**
- Quantifiers: **algún, ningún, muchos**
- Prepositions and adverbs of place: **a, en, al lado de, lejos, cerca...**
- The **pretérito perfecto**
- **Saber** + infinitive
- **Poder** + infinitive

Vocabulary

- Meals
- Food
- Cooking methods
- Typical dishes in Spain and the Spanish-speaking world
- Services and locations in cities
- Adjectives to describe a district
- Expressions of frequency
- Adjectives to describe character

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Spanish Elementary 1

Communication Resources

- Talking about habits and difficulties
- Talking about duration
- Giving recommendations
- Describing feelings
- Asking and answering questions about motivations
- Talking about past events
- Expressing what you like and your preferences
- Describing a house / objects
- Comparing things
- Expressing coincidences
- Everyday interactions: invitations, introductions, greetings, goodbyes
- Asking for things and favours, asking to do something
- Asking for and giving permission
- Giving excuses and justifying

Grammar Resources

- The present tense of regular and irregular verbs
- The reflexive verbs
- The verbs **costar** and **sentirse**
- **Para / porque**
- **Desde / desde hace / hace... que**
- The forms and uses of the pretérito indefinido
- **Empezar a** + infinitive
- **Ir / irse**
- Adverbs and expressions of frequency in the past
- The prepositions **desde, durante y hasta**; also **sin, con, debajo, encima, detrás**, etc.
- The comparatives
- The prepositions:
- The possessive pronouns: **el mío / la mía, el tuyo / la tuya, el suyo / la suya**
- Uses of **ser** and **estar**
- The verbs **gustar, encantar** and **preferir**
- The gerund (regular and irregular forms) and **estar** + gerund
- The conditional

Vocabulary

- **Sentirse ridículo/-a, seguro/-a, inseguro/-a, frustrado/-a, bien, mal...**
- Activities to learn languages
- Professions
- The alphabet
- Cinema
- Biographies
- Types of homes and rooms in the house
- Forms, styles and materials
- Greetings and goodbyes
- Verbs to express politeness/make polite requests: **poder, importar, ayudar, poner**
- **Dar, dejar** and **prestar**

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Spanish Elementary 2

Communication Resources

- Talking about leisure activities
- Talking about opening times
- Speaking about previous experiences
- Describing places
- Talking about intentions and future plans
- Talking about tastes in food and diet
- Explaining how to prepare a dish
- Talking about experiences and expressing opinions
- Describing people and things
- Expressing the desire to do something

Grammar Resources

- The pretérito perfecto
- **Ya / todavía no**
- **Ir a + infinitive**
- **Querer / pensar + infinitive**
- The direct objects pronouns
- The impersonal form with **se**
- Some uses of **ser** and **estar**
- **Y, pero, además**
- Uses of the pretérito perfecto and pretérito indefinido
- **Me / te / le / nos / os / les gustaría + infinitive**
- Exclamation expressions

Vocabulary

- Leisure activities and places
- Travels
- Food
- Recipes
- Weights and measures
- **Parecer**
- **Caer bien / mal**
- **Pasárselo bien / mal**
- Places of interest and cultural activities

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Spanish Elementary 3

Communication Resources

- Giving advice
- Talking about ones state of mind
- Describing pain, discomforts and symptoms
- Talking about past habits
- Speaking about specific actions in the past and in the present
- Arguing and debating
- Speaking in the past tense
- Sequence of events
- Expressing feelings

Grammar Resources

- Uses of the verbs **ser** and **estar**
- The verb **doler**
- The forms and some uses of the imperativo afirmativo
- The pretérito imperfecto
- **Ya no / todavía**
- Adverbial expressions in the past and in the present
- Irregular forms of the pretérito indefinido
- The difference between the pretérito indefinido and the imperfect
- The forms in the past of **estar** + gerund
- Expressions to tell a story

Vocabulary

- Parts of the body
- State of mind
- Illnesses and symptoms
- Travels
- History
- Life various stages
- Historical events
- Feelings