

Queen Margaret College
Year 12 – 13 Spanish Ab Initio Programme 2019 - 2020
International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme

Course Component	Percentage of final grade	Internal / External	Proposed assessment date
Paper 1	25%	External	November 2020
Paper 2	50%	External	November 2020
Individual Oral	25%	Internal	Term 3 2020

Course details

This course is for those with little or no knowledge of the Spanish language. The topics covered give students exposure to a variety of contexts and situations related both to their personal experiences and to the culture. This expands the students' knowledge of other cultures and also ensures that they become aware of different views and beliefs. The focus is on speaking, listening, reading and writing. The course is fast-paced to enable learners to acquire a useful degree of proficiency. Students also have regular conversation practice with our Spanish language assistant to help develop their fluency and comprehension.

Course Information

- Year 12 and 13 Spanish Ab Initio is a Group 2 option subject

Homework expectations

Your daughter should be learning at home for a total of at least 15 hours per week, across all subjects.

To achieve at a high level in this subject, students are expected to complete some homework during the week. The key to language learning is 'little and often'. Homework might include:

- Learning a number of words, verbs or phrases
- Completion of assignments started in class
- Reading and grammar exercises or writing tasks (50 or 100 words)
- Creating revision material
- Reviewing the work completed during class time
- Revision of vocabulary learned in class with www.languageperfect.com
- Catching up on work missed due to absence
- Carrying out a research task on the internet

Students will be subscribed to www.languageperfect.com. They will receive a Spanish magazine and a grammar workbook. An approximate cost of \$30 for the website, \$27 for the magazine and \$27 for the grammar workbook will be charged to the parents' or caregivers' school account.