

Queen Margaret College
Year 13 Spanish B SL/HL Programme 2018 - 2019
International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme

Course Component	Percentage of final grade	Internal / External	Proposed assessment date
Paper 1	25%	External	November 2019
Paper 2	25%	External	November 2019
Written Assignment	20%	External	Week 2, Term 3 2019
Individual Oral	20%	Internal	Term 3 – Sunday 15 September 2019
Interactive Oral	10%	Internal	Terms 1 - 3 2019

Course details

The course is focused on language acquisition and the use of Spanish in a range of contexts and for different purposes. We use authentic texts to develop an understanding of the Spanish speaking world while consolidating reading, writing, listening and speaking skills. Students have regular conversation practice with our Spanish assistant to improve their spontaneous language.

Students will study the following topics:

- Economic development in Latin America. Students analyse the impact of globalisation on Latin America and how it affects poverty, and the management of natural resources in the developing nations of Latin America.
- Multicultural society. Students explore the multicultural nature of the modern world. They learn about the cultures of Latin America and Spain, and immigration and emigration in the Spanish speaking world. In addition, students explore the issues of prejudice, cultural identity.
- The modern press. Students analyse the role of journalism in society, how IT is changing the way we experience the media, bias, censorship and sensationalism.

Course Information

- In 2019 Year 13 Spanish B is an 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 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 to do or an essay to write.
- 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 research tasks on the internet.

Students will be subscribed to www.languageperfect.com at an approximate cost of \$30 which will be charged to the parents' or caregivers' school account.