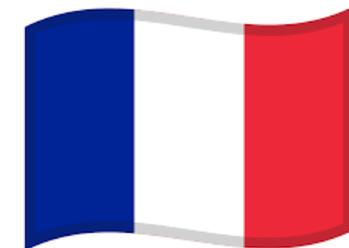
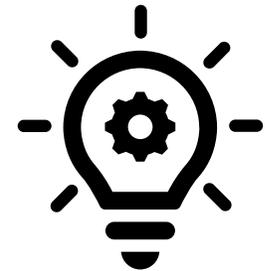
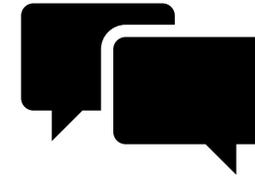


REVISION GUIDANCE GCSE FRENCH & SPANISH

TOP TIPS AND REMINDERS



1. Listening (25%)

Written exam

35 mins

(including 5 mins reading time and 2 mins checking time)

40 / 50 marks

Section A

Questions in English, Answers in English (32 marks)

Section B

Dictation in Spanish (8 marks)

2. Speaking (25%)

Spoken exam

7-9 mins + 15 mins preparation time

50 marks

Part 1 – Role play

1-1.5 mins (10 marks)

Part 2 – Reading aloud task + conversation

2-2.5 mins (15 marks)

Part 3 – Photo card + conversation

4-5 mins (25 marks)

3. Reading (25%)

Written exam

45 mins

50 marks

Section A

Questions in English, Answers in English (40 marks)

Section B

Translation from Spanish into English (10 marks)

4. Writing (25%) (Higher)

Written exam

1 hour 15 mins

50 marks

Question 1

Translation of sentences English into Spanish (10 marks)

Question 2

Approx. **90 words** in response to 3 bullet points (*choice of 2 tasks*) (15 marks)

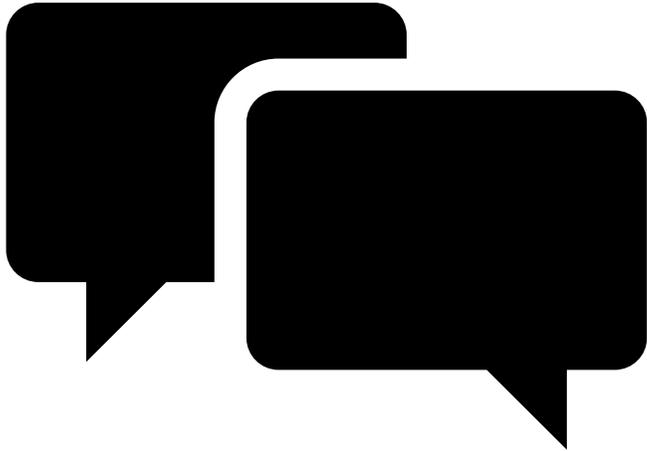
Question 3

Approx **150. words** in response to 2 bullet points (*choice of 2 tasks*) (25 marks)

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preparation time

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Part 2 – Reading aloud task + conversation

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marks)

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4-5 mins (25
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Role play



People
Action
Location
Mood

Reading aloud

➤ *unprepared conversation
(related to the specific topic
of the task).*

Photo card

➤ *unprepared conversation
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**Memorise
your 30
questions and
responses**

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50 marks

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Produce 5 sentences in response to a photo (10 marks)

Question 2

Approx. 50 words in response to 5 bullet points (10 marks)

Question 3

5 short grammar tasks (5 marks)

Question 4

Translation of sentences English into Spanish (10 marks)

Question 5

Approx. 90 words in response to 3 bullet points (*choice of 2 tasks*) (15 marks)



Foundation

- **Q1** – Write 5 short sentences in Spanish in relation to a **photo**
- **Q2** – Write approx. **50 words** in Spanish in relation to 5 bullet points
- **Q3** – Complete **5 short grammar tasks**
- **Q4** – **Translate** 5 sentences from English into Spanish
- **Q5** – Write approx. **90 words** in relation to 3 bullet points, choice of 2 tasks



People
Action
Location
Mood

Higher – 150 words



This question is worth 25 marks out of 50 (50%) so aim to spend no more than about 35 minutes on it.

4. Writing (25%)

Written exam

1 hour 10 mins

50 marks

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Variety

Use a variety of opinion phrases	me encanta, me gusta, prefiero, no me gusta, odio, me mola, me chifla
Use a variety of adjectives	porque / ya que / dado que es (because it's)... divertido / genial / guay / aburrido
Use a variety of intensifiers	muy (very), bastante (quite), un poco (a bit), tan (so)
Use a variety of connectives	tambien, además, pero, sin embargo

Complexity



Tenses

(Foundation)

(Higher)

Answer **either** Question 5.1 or 5.2 / Answer **either** Question 2.1 or 2.2

You must only answer **one** of these questions.

Either
Question 5.1

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You are emailing your Spanish friend about holidays.
Write approximately **90** words in **Spanish**.
You must write something about each bullet point.
Describe:

- What you usually do for the holidays
- The activities you did during a recent holiday
- Where you will go on holiday in the future

Present

Past

Future

Or
Question 5.2

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You are writing a blog about free time for your Honduran partner school.
Write approximately **90** words in **Spanish**.
You must write something about each bullet point.
Describe:

- Your favourite hobbies
- What you did recently at the weekend
- A new hobby you would like to try in the future

[15 marks]

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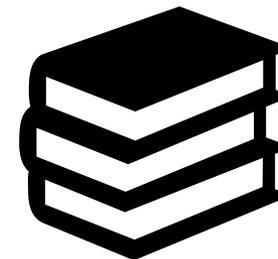
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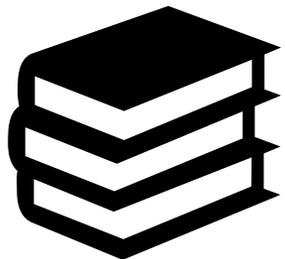
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(40 marks)

Section B

Translation from Spanish into English
(10 marks)





Listening & Reading

1. People and lifestyle

<p>Topic 1: Identity and relationships with others</p> 	<p>Topic 2: Healthy living and lifestyle</p> 	<p>Topic 3: Education and work</p> 
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2. Popular culture

<p>Topic 1: Free-time activities</p> 	<p>Topic 2: Customs, festivals and celebrations</p> 	<p>Topic 3: Celebrity culture</p> 
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3. Communication and the world around us

<p>Topic 1: Travel and tourism, including places of interest</p> 	<p>Topic 2: Media and technology</p> 	<p>Topic 3: The environment and where people live</p> 
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- **Official Past Papers:** AQA's website offers past listening papers (Higher/Foundation), transcripts, and audio, which are essential for familiarization.
- **BBC Bitesize:** Covers specific topics (e.g., school stresses, town directions) with audio, transcripts, and quiz questions.
- **CGP Books:** CGP provides exam practice workbooks with audio tracks for listening questions, notes CGP Books.

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