

Samuel Whitbread Academy – A Level Spanish Summer Work

1. Grammar revision

The best thing you can do to prepare for A Level Spanish at Samuel Whitbread is spend the summer revising all of the grammar that you should have already learnt so far in preparation for the intensive grammar sessions that you will have in September.

The best way to do this would be to request a grammar workbook to be sent to you from our main Spanish teacher, Miss Simister. Just send a quick email to asimister@bestacademies.org.uk and she will send you the workbook which is filled with reminders on how to form all of the tenses and then activities to revise the formations.

An alternative to the workbook is to go to <https://studyspanish.com/grammar> and work through the explanations then check your learning with online quizzes and tests.

2. Watch Spanish Television

Watch the latest news in Spanish <http://www.rtve.es/>, or even just the weather forecast <http://www.rtve.es/eltiempo/>. Take in some culinary delights with Spanish Master Chef <http://www.rtve.es/television/masterchef/> or some football <http://www.rtve.es/deportes/champions-league/>. Or watch some cartoons in Spanish with your baby brother or sister; you can both learn some Spanish <http://www.rtve.es/infantil/>. You will recognise some of the programmes – any guesses what *Sam el bombero* is <http://www.rtve.es/infantil/videos-juegos/#/videos/sam-bombero/todos/> or *La oveja Shaun* <http://www.rtve.es/infantil/videos-juegos/#/videos/oveja-shaun/todos/>?



3. Listen to Spanish Radio

The great thing about listening to the radio is that you can get on with something else at the same time (tidying your room??). Listen live using the *Eschuchar Ahora* or the *En directo* button. It sometimes takes a while to buffer so be patient.



- Radio Nacional de España (RNE) (www.rtve.es)
- *Radio 1 (Radio Nacional)* es la radio generalista de RNE. Sus programas llegan a todos los públicos. Noticias, entretenimiento, cultura, deportes...
- *Radio 3* es la radio más joven, la preocupada por los temas de la juventud. Música, cine, teatro, libros, debates... <http://www.rtve.es/radio/radio3/>

4. Read in Spanish

Newspapers and Magazines

Read a foreign language newspaper – El Pais in Spanish is available in larger paper shops. El Pais has its own website <http://elpais.com/> so that you can read the paper online. You do not have to read the paper cover to cover, just scan the headlines and pick out ONE article that grabs your attention.



This website gives you access to newspapers all over the world. Here is the link to a range of Spanish papers. <http://www.mediatico.com/en/newspapers/europe/spain/national/>

This website is a more lighthearted newspaper which covers global stories as well as gossip. <http://www.20minutos.es/> Also try <http://www.20minutos.tv/>. This is the TV Channel for this newspaper.

For a list of more sources of TV, Radio and News or even Spanish Netflix recommendations, please contact Miss Simister (asimister@bestacademies.org.uk).