



¡Bienvenidos a la clase de Español 1!

Goals &

Objectives

Objectives:

~ develop, reinforce, and refine communicative competency in reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills ~ develop and explore cultural competency

Goals:

~ learn new vocabulary ~ build familiarity with common grammatical structures ~ gain confidence speaking Spanish ~ communicate in Spanish using real life situations ~ interpret written Spanish

Grading & Category Weights

Productive Skills (writing and speaking) = 35%

- Short answer or fill-in-the blank activities
- Brief paragraphs
- Skits or presentations
- Partner or group interactive activities
- Written or spoken portions of projects, quizzes, or tests

Receptive Skills (reading and listening) = 35%

- Listening comprehension activities using audio recordings and/or videos
- Reading comprehension
- Listening or reading portions of projects, quizzes, or tests

In-Class Practice and Participation = 15%

- Participation in partner and group conversations
- Participation in large group discussions and activities
- Short vocabulary and grammar practice or review activities

Homework = 15%

- Daily practice and review activities including elements of reading, writing, speaking, and/or listening graded on completion and effort – it's ok to make mistakes! That's how we learn!



Tips for Success

- **Be prepared!** Bring a folder or 3 ring binder with dividers, writing utensils, and notebook with you every day.
- **Participate!** Embrace the learner profile traits – take risks, communicate, inquire, be open-minded, support your peers. You won't learn if you don't try.
- **Have a positive attitude!** Everyone can learn a language. It's not always an easy process but a good attitude makes it better.
- **Practice!** Don't just use Spanish in class – use it everywhere! Chat with your friends and greet your family. Review flashcards regularly. Utilize the [VHL](#) and [class website](#) resources. Download Duolingo and create a streak.

Expectations & Policies

Technology Use: Laptops and cell phones may be used occasionally as a resource for in-class activities. Señora will let you know when they can be out and in use. Otherwise, they need to be out of sight and silenced!

Academic Integrity: You are expected to complete assignments without assistance from others, including automated tools. Language produced by another person, AI source, online translator, or copied from an internet site is considered academic misconduct and will not receive credit. Review the full UAIS Academic Integrity Policy [here](#).

Absences: You are responsible for checking the [class website](#) and [Schoolology](#) for your homework. You have the same number of days to make up absent work as days you were absent. Late work will receive partial credit and unsubmitted work will not receive credit. If you will have an extended absence, please discuss accommodations with Señora.

Online Resources for Español 1

Bookmark the following websites on your phone and laptop to use as resources to help you practice, review, and study Spanish.

Course website (senoraburak.weebly.com): The best resource to help you be successful in la clase de español is our [class Weebly site](http://senoraburak.weebly.com). Our class landing page includes announcements, a brief outline of the day's lesson, homework assignments, and upcoming quiz dates. Each chapter has its own tab with vocabulary lists, grammar notes, practice activities and a variety of supplemental materials like videos or infographics. The [Club de Español](#) page has the meeting schedule and other important club information. Information about our next Spanish department trip is also posted on this site.



Weebly

Descubre 1 (VHL Supersite): To access our online textbook and workbook activities, log into the VHL app through [ClassLink](#). You will not be able to access our online materials directly through the textbook website. If you receive an error message when trying to access our textbook, logout of VHL, close the window, refresh ClassLink, and select the VHL app again (you must do each of these in exactly this order). Look at your dashboard or select the assignment calendar to see online homework assignments. Use the chat feature on the VHL Supersite for tech support. If you still have issues after troubleshooting, please let me know right away.



ClassLink

Schoology: To access Schoology, log into the app through [ClassLink](#). If you are absent, check the daily agenda posted in the folder for the current quarter to see an overview of the lesson and to access handouts and homework assignments.

Useful Apps

Download the following apps on your phone to help you study and learn new vocabulary. Both apps are also available as web versions.

Quizlet (Quizlet.com): Great study tool! Make flashcards for your vocabulary words, verb forms, and other important concepts. You can add pictures instead of an English definition too. When switching between the app and web version, use the same account information to sync your flashcard sets and progress. There are many other free flashcard apps so if you prefer a different one, go ahead and use it!

SpanishDictionary (spanishdict.com): Use this Spanish – English dictionary to look up words or phrases you don't know or understand. Multiple definitions are offered to help you choose the meaning that most closely aligns with what you are trying to express, and example sentences are provided to allow you to see the word in context. Learn a new word every day with the word-of-the-day feature.

