

SPANISH 1411
Beginning Spanish

Western Texas College
Department of Languages

- I. Basic Course Information
 - A. Course description—Basic Spanish language skills in listening, speaking, reading, and writing within a cultural framework. Students will acquire the vocabulary and grammatical structures necessary to communicate and comprehend at the beginner level. This course is 4-hour credit college course.
 - B. Prerequisites—Student should have proficiency in reading and writing.
- II. Learning Outcomes. Upon successful completion of this course, students will:
 - A. Engage in conversations using level-appropriate grammatical structures including narrating events that take place in the present and producing questions and responses on a variety of topics dealing with everyday life.
 - B. Demonstrate understanding of level-appropriate spoken Spanish.
 - C. Write simple sentences and organize them into short paragraphs.
 - D. Read and comprehend level-appropriate texts.
 - E. Identify and discuss traditions, customs and values of the Hispanic world.
 - F. Compare and contrast the traditions, customs and values of the Hispanic world with characteristics of their own culture.
- III. Major Course Requirements
 - A. Quizzes: Students will complete objective quizzes covering each of the major concepts. The format of these exams will vary.
 - B. Participation: Students are required to participate in classroom discussions in English and Spanish, as well as speak Spanish conversationally.
 - C. Journals: Students will submit journals every week. There will be two journals, a written journal and a video journal.
 - D. Practice: Students will have practice on relevant websites and practice sheets.
 - E. Projects: Students will have relevant miniprojects due throughout the semester.
- IV. Information on Books and Other Course Materials:
 - A. Anda! Curso elemental, Plus MySpanishLab -- Access Card Package, 3/E
Glynis L. Cowell Audrey L. Heining-Boynton ISBN-13: 9780134293370
Publisher: Pearson Copyright: 2017
 - B. Computer: Student will need a computer with microphone and webcam or video recorder that can be uploaded.
- V. Other Policies: Please refer to the WTC Course [Catalog](#) for the following:
 - A. Campus Calendar
 - B. Final Exam schedule
 - C. How to drop a class
 - D. Withdrawal information

- E. Student Conduct/Academic Integrity
 - F. Students with disabilities
 - G. Departmental policy regarding late/make up work
- VI. Course Organization and Schedule**

Week 1	Introduction & Orientation (Chapters One & Two) Personal Poem Project Review present tense Descriptive adjectives & adjective agreement Verbs like gustar
Week 2	School Verbs and School Supplies (Chapters One & Two) Direct object pronouns Review present progressive, imperfect, future with ir
Week 3	Chapter Six, Chapter Eight Vocabulary—food/meal-taking/restaurants Grammar Regular preterite
Week 4	Continuation of week three concepts Chapter Nine Culture: Ninos Heroes and Dieciseis de septiembre Stem-changer preterite Writing—summary of the two holidays Video journal—favorite holiday/celebration and why
Week 5	Chapter Three Vocabulary--Review families/personal relationships Grammar—demonstrative adjectives Irregular preterite
Week 6	Chapter Five Excursion vocabulary Possessive adjectives: stressed and regular Ser v. estar
Week 7	Vocabulary Animals/nature/environment Comparatives and superlatives
Week 8	Verbs like gustar Imperfect review Comparative of preterite and imperfect
Week 9	Storytelling vocabulary Continuation of preterite and imperfect
Week 10	Culture: Dia de los Muertos
Week 11	Professions/job market Writing a resume

	Holding an interview Impersonal 'se'
Week 12	Chapter Six Clothing and shopping Saber and conocer Indirect object pronouns Double object pronouns
Week 13	Continuation of week 12
Week 14	Chapter Ten <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health and medical terms • Parts of the body • Symptoms and medical conditions • Health professions • The imperfect tense • The preterite and the imperfect • Constructions with 'se' • Adverbs
Week 15	Review
Week 16	Final Exam

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