

How to support your child in the run-up to their final GCSE Spanish Speaking Exam



EXAM DATES: Friday 5th April - Thursday 11th April 2019

With the deadline to the GCSE speaking exams fast approaching, as parents, we can feel helpless when it comes to supporting them with their revision.

Your child has already received revision packs with lots of useful guides to help prepare them for their assessments. In this, is also the General Conversation, which has personalized questions and answers that **they must know**.

I don't know Spanish; how can I help?

You don't need to know a word of Spanish to help support your child. Listening skills are all you need. Sit with your child for around 10 minutes a day and listen to them speaking through the general conversation. You can follow the words on the script and let them know if they miss any or, more importantly if they've got it right!



My child is struggling to learn their General Conversation



Learning the general conversation can feel like an impossible task. Yet, we promise that it is 100% achievable for all levels. If your child is struggling, we advise that they split their sentences up into four words at a time. They are to repeat these <u>out loud</u> over and over again, until they can say it without looking at the paper. Once they've achieved this, they should move onto the next four words, but must often say the sentence or phrase from the beginning. It sounds time-consuming, but we promise that it does get easier!

Visual learners

For visual learners, we encourage students to cross out the words that they have learned. This is so that when they are practising, they know how many words they have to say. They can leave out any words that they struggle with. However, please remind your child that note **are not permitted** in the exam.

Example: Me llevo bien con mi madre =



Thank you very much for your help throughout the course of your child's Spanish GCSE. We are sure that with one final push, all hard-work will be paid off. Please contact the MFL department if you have any queries.

