

Mary Ward Centre

Self-Assessment Questionnaire

SPANISH Stage 1B

Stage 1B is for students who have completed a 20 hours course, or who have an equivalent knowledge of the language acquired by self-study, travelling or contact with Spanish speakers.

	Tick Yes if you are fairly confident that you can:	Yes	No
1.	pronounce Spanish correctly;		
2.	introduce yourself and other people;		
3.	say where you are from, what your occupation is, where you work, where you live, what languages you speak;		
4.	say you have/haven't brothers, sisters, Spanish friends;		
5.	ask people this information (3. and 4.) about themselves;		
6.	talk about other people (same information);		
7.	count and understand numbers accurately (1 to 1000);		
8.	ask for an address and understand an address in Spanish;		
9.	order drinks and food and ask for the bill;		
10.	ask and say what there is (<i>hay...</i>);		
11.	ask and say where people, places or town buildings are (here, there, in the north, north of, near, far, next to, opposite, between, behind, in front of, etc.);		
12.	give very simple descriptions of places (small, big, nice, quiet, old, new, clean, dirty, cheap, expensive, tidy, comfortable, etc.);		
13.	ask for and understand simple directions to a location (straight on, at the end of the road, take the first/second on the right, turn, cross the road, etc.);		
14.	book into a hotel and enquire about prices;		
15.	enquire about the times meals are served at a hotel (breakfast, lunch, dinner);		
16.	make a reservation telling the time, the day of the week, the precise date;		
17.	understand, when spoken slowly and clearly, simple requests, statements and questions within the above topics;		
18.	write a very simple text (e.g. a postcard, a description).		
	Total		

A total number of **15 Yes or above**, if your judgement of your language ability is fairly accurate, indicates that you can join a Stage 1B course.

If the total number of **Yes** is **10 to 14**, you could visit the class, bring this Questionnaire and speak with the Tutor. You must check with Reception that there are places available in the course you would like to join and ask them for a Visitors Pass.

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SPANISH Stage 1C

Stage 1C is for students who have completed a 30-40 hours course, or who have an equivalent knowledge of the language acquired by self-study, travelling or contact with Spanish speakers.

	Tick Yes if you are fairly confident that you can:	Yes	No
1.	pronounce Spanish correctly;		
2.	say where you are from, what your occupation is, where you work, where you live, what languages you speak; talk about your family and friends;		
3.	ask people this information about themselves;		
4.	talk about other people (same information);		
5.	count and understand numbers and prices accurately;		
6.	order drinks and food and ask for the bill;		
7.	ask and say what there is (<i>hay...</i>);		
8.	ask and say where people, places or town buildings are (here, there, in the north of, near, far, next to, opposite, between, behind, in front of, etc.);		
9.	give simple descriptions of places (small, big, nice, quiet, old, new, clean, dirty, cheap, expensive, tidy, comfortable, etc.);		
10.	ask for and understand simple directions to a location (straight on, at the end of the road, take the first/second on the right, turn, cross the road, etc.);		
11.	book into a hotel and enquire about prices, meals and facilities;		
12.	make a reservation telling the time, the day of the week, the precise date;		
13.	buy food specifying weight and quantities;		
14.	buy clothes and shoes specifying sizes, colours, materials;		
15.	ask and say at what time shops open/close;		
16.	ask and say at what time things begin/end (a class, a film, a concert);		
17.	say where you are going and what you are going to do and ask other people;		
18.	talk about what you do every day (get up, leave home, go to, arrive, start work, have lunch, finish work, return home, read, have dinner, go out, go to bed, sleep);		
19.	talk about what you do in your free time and ask other people;		
20.	talk about things and activities you like and dislike and ask other people;		
21.	say how you and others feel (tired, happy, sad, worried, etc.) and why;		
22.	say what you want to do, what you have to do, what you can or can't do;		
23.	say what you and others are going to do tomorrow, next weekend, next holiday;		
24.	understand, when spoken slowly and clearly, simple requests, statements and questions within the above topics;		
25.	understand the main points of a simple text with the help of a dictionary;		
26.	write simple texts (e.g. a postcard, a description, an invitation, a shopping list).		
	Total		

A total number of **20 Yes or above**, if your judgement of your language ability is fairly accurate, indicates that you can join a Stage 1C course. If the total number of **Yes** is **15 to 19**, you could visit the class, bring this Questionnaire and speak with the Tutor. You must check with Reception that there are places available in the course you would like to join and ask them for a Visitors Pass.

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SPANISH EXPRESS CONTINUATION

This course is for students who have completed 30 hours of a Beginners course, or who have an equivalent knowledge of the language acquired by self-study, travelling or contact with Spanish speakers.

	Tick Yes if you are fairly confident that you can:	Yes	No
1.	pronounce Spanish correctly;		
2.	introduce yourself and other people;		
3.	say where you are from, what your occupation is, where you work, where you live, what languages you speak;		
4.	say you have/haven't brothers, sisters, Spanish friends;		
5.	ask people this information (3. and 4.) about themselves;		
6.	talk about other people (same information);		
7.	count and understand numbers and prices accurately;		
8.	order drinks and food and ask for the bill;		
9.	ask and say what there is (<i>hay...</i>);		
10.	ask and say where people, places or town buildings are (here, there, in the north, north of, near, far, next to, opposite, between, behind, in front of, etc.);		
11.	give very simple descriptions of places (small, big, nice, quiet, old, new, cheap, expensive, clean, dirty, tidy, comfortable, etc.);		
12.	ask for and understand simple directions to a location (straight on, at the end of the road, take the first/second on the right, turn, cross the road, etc.);		
13.	book into a hotel and enquire about prices, meals and facilities;		
14.	make a reservation telling the time, the day of the week, the precise date;		
15.	buy food specifying weight and quantities;		
16.	buy clothes and shoes specifying sizes, colours, materials;		
17.	ask and say at what time shops open/close;		
18.	ask and say at what time things begin/end (a class, a film, a concert);		
19.	say where you are going and what you are going to do and ask other people;		
20.	understand, when spoken slowly and clearly, simple requests, statements and questions within the above topics;		
21.	understand the main points of a simple text with the help of a dictionary;		
22.	write simple texts (e.g. a postcard, a description, a shopping list).		
	Total		

A total number of **18 Yes or above**, if your judgement of your language ability is fairly accurate, indicates that you can join the Beginners Express Continuation course.

If the total number of **Yes** is **14 to 17**, you could visit the class, bring this Questionnaire and speak with the Tutor. You must check with Reception that there are places available in the course you would like to join and ask them for a Visitors Pass.

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Stage 2 SPANISH

Stage 2 is for students who have completed a Beginner's course (50-60 hours) or for people who would like to brush-up and extend a basic knowledge of the language.

	Tick Yes if you are fairly confident that you can:	Yes	No
1.	pronounce Spanish correctly;		
2.	introduce yourself and say where you are from, what your occupation is, where you live, what languages you speak, say you have/haven't children, brothers or sisters, Spanish friends;		
3.	ask people this information about themselves and talk about other people;		
4.	understand numbers accurately and use numbers in speech;		
5.	understand spelling in Spanish and you can spell your name in Spanish;		
6.	order drinks, snacks, and meals in a restaurant;		
7.	ask and say where places and town buildings are (e.g. near, far, next to, etc.) and give simple directions to a location (e.g. cross the road, turn right, etc.);		
8.	ask and tell the time and say at what time shops open and close;		
9.	book a table in a restaurant or a room in a hotel or buy tickets, discussing the time, the day of the week, the precise date;		
10.	enquire about prices, times meals are served and facilities at a hotel;		
11.	buy food specifying weight and quantities;		
12.	buy clothes and shoes specifying sizes, colours, materials;		
13.	make simple enquiries about transport and buy tickets;		
14.	give a very simple description (places, houses, people);		
15.	make comparisons;		
16.	describe the weather in the four seasons;		
17.	talk about every day actions (get up, leave, go, arrive, return, work, eat, start, finish, read, go out, sleep);		
18.	talk about what you do in your free time and about the things you like and dislike and ask other people the same sort of things;		
19.	say how you and others feel at the moment (tired, happy, sad, etc.) and why;		
20.	ask people out and accept or refuse an invitation giving reasons;		
21.	say what you want to do, what you have to do, what you can or can't do;		
22.	say what you and others are going to do tomorrow, next weekend, etc.;		
23.	say what you and others are doing at the moment;		
24.	understand, when spoken slowly and clearly, simple requests, statements and questions within the above topics;		
25.	understand the main points of a simple text with the help of a dictionary;		
26.	write very simple texts (e.g. a postcard, a description, shopping lists).		
	Total		

A total number of **22 Yes or above**, if your judgement of your language ability is fairly accurate, indicates that you can join Stage 2 (certificate or non-certificate). If the total number of **Yes** is **18 to 22**, you could visit the class, bring this Questionnaire and speak with the Tutor. You must check with Reception that there are places available in the course you would like to join and ask them for a Visitors Pass.

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Stage 2 Continuation SPANISH

Stage 2 Cont. is for students who can deal with confidence with the majority of the points required to join Stage 2 (see **Self-Assessment Questionnaire for Stage 2**) and, in addition, with the topics listed below.

	Tick Yes if you are fairly confident that you can:	Yes	No
1.	have a simple conversation about your personal history, your family and home, your work, your interests and your plans for the future;		
2.	talk about other people's personal history (simple biographies);		
3.	talk about your own and other people's likes and dislikes;		
4.	ask people out and arrange to meet, discuss alternative dates and times;		
5.	describe a picture or a photograph depicting a scene from every day life: talk about the place, the circumstances, the weather, what the people are doing;		
6.	say what your occupation is and what you do in their job;		
7.	talk about the past: what you and others did yesterday, last weekend, on your last holiday, many years ago (<i>pretérito indefinido</i>);		
8.	ask and say how long something has been happening (<i>¿Cuánto hace que ...?</i>);		
9.	talk about what you and others have done (<i>pretérito perfecto</i>);		
10.	apologise, giving reasons, for being late or having/not having done something;		
11.	talk about travel arrangements and plans using the future tense;		
12.	answer questions and describe actions using pronouns;		
13.	understand / respond to, and give simple orders or requests;		
14.	express obligation in personal and general terms (<i>tengo que .../ hay que ...</i>);		
15.	express possession (e.g. <i>aquí están nuestras maletas ¿y las tuyas?</i>);		
16.	follow the essential points of a simple conversation when spoken normally and clearly. You do not understand native speakers if they speak very quickly;		
17.	understand the essential things in simple texts dealing with topics of general interest, with the help of a dictionary;		
18.	write short assignments (e.g. a simple biography, a letter confirming your travel arrangements and plans, a description of what you normally do in your job), taking into account that at this stage it is expected that you make grammatical and spelling mistakes.		
	Total		

A total number of **15 Yes or above**, if your judgement of your language ability is fairly accurate, indicates that you can join Stage 2 Continuation (certificate or non-certificate course).

If the total number is **12 to 15 Yes**, you could visit the class, bring this Questionnaire and speak with the Tutor. You must check with Reception that there are places available in the course you would like to join and ask them for a Visitors Pass.

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Stage 3 SPANISH

Spanish Stage 3 is for students who have completed at least two years of recent study or have an equivalent knowledge of the language.

	Tick Yes if you are fairly confident that you can:	Yes	No
1.	have a simple conversation about your personal history, your family and home, your work, your interests and your plans for the future;		
2.	talk about your own and other people's likes and dislikes;		
3.	describe a picture or a photograph depicting a scene from every day life: talk about the place, the circumstances, the weather, what the people are doing;		
4.	talk about the past: what you and others did yesterday, last weekend, on your last holiday, many years ago (<i>pretérito indefinido</i>);		
5.	ask and say how long something has been happening (<i>¿Cuánto hace que ...?</i>);		
6.	talk about what you and others have done (<i>pretérito perfecto</i>);		
7.	apologise, giving reasons, for being late or having/not having done something;		
8.	talk about travel arrangements and plans using the future tense;		
9.	use pronouns (e.g. <i>le compré un regalo pero no se lo di</i>);		
10.	understand and respond to simple orders or requests, make simple requests in the informal (<i>tú</i>) and the formal (<i>usted</i>) as appropriate;		
11.	express possession (e.g. <i>aquí están nuestras maletas ¿y las tuyas?</i>);		
12.	talk about what you and other people used to do (<i>pretérito imperfecto</i>);		
13.	use the imperfect and the simple past as appropriate (e.g. <i>Todos los días iba a la playa, un día fui al museo - Ella no estaba en casa cuando yo llegué</i>);		
14.	request things, repairs, changes, in hotels, shops and restaurants;		
15.	report a theft or a lost object;		
16.	use a reasonably wide vocabulary;		
17.	reply and initiate a conversation with short correctly structured sentences. You are not fluent, when trying to express something new you make mistakes and can not find the words for what you want to say; when talking about familiar topics you can speak for one minute at a time;		
18.	follow the essential points concerning everyday and general things when spoken normally and clearly. You do not understand native speakers if they speak very quickly;		
19.	understand the essential things in simple texts dealing with topics of general interest, with the help of a dictionary;		
20.	write short assignments (e.g. a simple message, a simple biography, a confirmation of travel arrangements, a description of what you do in your job, etc), taking into account that at this stage it is expected that you make grammatical and spelling mistakes.		
	Total		

A total number of **18 Yes**, if your judgement of your language ability is fairly accurate, indicates that you can join Stage 3. If the total number is **15 to 18 Yes**, you could visit the class, bring the Questionnaire and speak with the Tutor. You must check with Reception that there are places available in this course and ask them for a Visitors Pass.

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Stage 3 Continuation SPANISH

Spanish Stage 3 Cont. is for students who can deal with confidence with the points required to join Stage 3 (please complete the **Self-Assessment Questionnaire for Stage 3**) and, in addition with the topics listed below.

	Tick Yes if you are fairly confident that you can:	Yes	No
22.	use the imperative of commonly used verbs in the informal (<i>tú</i>) and the formal (<i>usted</i>), affirmative and negative forms (e.g. <i>abre/no abras - abra/no abra</i>);		
23.	give advice using the present subjunctive (e.g. <i>te aconsejo que vayas</i>);		
24.	express wish, possibility, doubt, using the present subjunctive;		
25.	describe a process (e.g. cooking your favourite dish);		
26.	say what had happened (<i>pretérito pluscuamperfecto</i>);		
27.	tell very simple stories using all the necessary past tenses (<i>pretérito indefinido, imperfecto y pluscuamperfecto</i>);		
28.	give news about current events;		
29.	express an opinion about a current event, a TV programme, a person, etc;		
30.	take part in group conversations expressing agreement and disagreement.		
	Total		

A total number of **25 Yes or above**, if your judgement of your language ability is fairly accurate, indicates that you can join Stage 3 Cont.

We advise you to visit the class and speak with the tutor before you enrol.

You must check with Reception that there are places available in this course and ask them for a Visitors Pass.