

## Year 11 revision for MFL exams

There are 4 exams in French and Spanish, which are all equally weighted at 25% of the final grade. These are:

- Speaking
- Reading
- Listening
- Writing

### Speaking

The GCSE speaking exam comes early, just after Easter, and so our mock exams are this week for Spanish and next week for French.

Students have been asked to learn answers to general conversation questions off by heart. In the real exam, they will have had to learn more questions and will not know which questions they are going to be asked, but for the mock, our focus is on testing:

- Memorization
- Pronunciation
- Intonation and fluency
- Accuracy
- Range of language

The best method for learning their answers is to:

1. Put the question in Spanish on one side of a flashcard
2. On the other side, write the first letter of each word in the answer as a prompt. You might also write the meaning of the answer in Spanish.
3. Test yourself using the prompt, and gradually learn to say your answer without the prompt.
4. Get a family member to test you using your original answers (they don't need to speak Spanish! They only need to know if you're saying what's in front of them or not. If they ask questions and you teach them something... you'll remember it even better!)
5. For help with pronunciation, type words into Google translate and press play. This is the only useful way of using google translate!

### Reading + Listening

Over the coming weeks, students will be given practice questions and vocabulary to learn on the app quizlet. Success in the listening and reading exams is dependent on knowledge of vocabulary and skill at answering exam questions and general comprehension; practice makes perfect!

### Writing

Over the coming weeks, students will be given practice questions for the writing exam, and these will also be covered in class. Students need to learn key verbs in 3 tenses and the BORDER phrases we have covered in retrieval quizzes all year. Students should practice writing off the top of their head, only look up the odd word and if they don't know how to say something hard, say something else!

If you have any further queries, please email [nlunn@henleyschool.com](mailto:nlunn@henleyschool.com) ¡Gracias! Merci!