



Course Description: Spanish 3

Spanish 3 is an intermediate course for students who wish to gain better fluency and understanding of a foreign language. The course is intended to further develop facility in each of the major communication skills: listening, reading, speaking, and writing. Major emphasis is placed on developing the ability to communicate fluently with accurate pronunciation/intonation and sentence structure, in a variety of authentic contexts. Emphasis is also placed on fostering an appreciation of the culture of Spanish speaking countries through the study of history, literature, art, etc.

Course Objectives:

1. Students will master common, and some specialized, vocabulary terms and phrases.
2. Students will respond verbally with fluent-like pronunciation and intonation; will respond appropriately according to the context.
3. Students will appropriately and accurately understand and use a wide range of grammar patterns.
4. Students will read to understand authentic texts, and write native-like paragraphs.
5. Students will speak predominately in Spanish when in class.
6. Students will demonstrate an understanding and appreciation for the Spanish language, and the traditions, beliefs and customs of its peoples.

Overall, students will read, write, speak, and listen for meaning in Spanish.

Grammar topics covered:

1. Present indicative of regular and irregular verbs
2. Ser and estar
3. Reflexive verbs
4. Expressions with tener
5. Possessive adjectives and agreement
6. Affirmative and negative commands
7. Regular and Irregular Preterite
8. Imperfect tense vs. Preterite tense
9. Por vs. Para
10. Past Participles
11. Saber vs. Conocer
12. Future tense
13. Present continuous (ir + a + infinitive)
14. Future of probability
15. Direct object pronouns and indirect object pronouns
16. Present Subjunctive
17. Compound subjunctive tenses
18. Subjunctive vs. Indicative

Textbook: Realidades Level 3 textbook (Prentice Hall) and all ancillary materials

Prerequisite: Successful completion of Spanish 2 with a grade of C or better

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