Spanish Language Links and Teaching Resources

- **Instituto Cervantes** exists to promote the Spanish language; their website includes plenty of material for students and teachers of Spanish, plus up-to-date information about cultural events. Our teachers particularly like [Lecturas paso a paso](https://www.institutocervantes.org/lecturas/) (short stories with pre- and post-reading exercises) and [Pasatiempos de Rayuela](https://www.institutocervantes.org/pasatiempos/) (lexical, grammatical, sociocultural exercises).
- **BBC Languages** have lots of high-quality Spanish material - aside from the BAFTA-winning Mi Vida Loca and other excellent interactive video courses, have a look at [El mensual](https://www.bbc.co.uk/education/), an intermediate-level audio magazine which can be browsed by topic or language focus.
  - [BBC Learn Spanish](https://www.bbc.co.uk/education/) is their Facebook presence, designed so you can meet people and start learning together.

Reference

- [WordReference.com](https://www.wordreference.com) has the Concise Oxford Spanish Dictionary, alongside some from Espasa Calpe.
- [Real Academia Española](https://www.rae.es/) gives free access to one of the best (monolingual) Spanish dictionaries.
- [diccionarios.com](http://www.diccionarios.com) provides access to dictionaries from Vox, including their English<->Spanish offering.
- [Oxford Reference Online](https://www.oxfordreferenceonline.com) (which the University subscribes to) has a Business Spanish dictionary as well as the Concise.
- [Tomísimo](http://www.tomismo.com) is an English-Spanish bilingual learners' dictionary that makes finding words easy by automatically searching in both languages.

Teaching resources

- [VeinteMundos](https://www.viennawien-magazine.com) magazine has interesting articles about the Spanish-speaking world, for intermediate & advanced learners. Each article has helpful integrated pop-up vocabulary and an audio reading which allows simultaneous reading and listening. There's also a section for teachers.
- [Tecla](https://www.tecla.org) is a magazine (including exercises) written for learners and teachers of Spanish, with a searchable subject index of past issues. It is produced monthly during term-time by the Spanish Embassy in the UK.
- [Phonetics: The Sounds of Spanish](https://www.physics.iastate.edu/education/phonetics/) - animated articulatory diagrams from the University of Iowa (requires Flash).
- [Viaje al pasado: los aztecas](https://www.museoantropologia.com/ viajealpasado) - el perfecto simple y el imperfecto en la narración y la descripción. Attractive interactive multimedia site providing a broad context for all verb forms. Includes animations which explain use of verb forms, 45 exercises and two adventure games in pre-Hispanic Mexico.
  - [El Camino de Santiago](https://www.camino.org) is another excellent video-based site by the same team at Cégep du Vieux Montréal, this time using the Camino de Santiago pilgrimage route to focus on ser, estar, en, a, por, para; identificación, definición, descripción, localización, desplazamiento, causa y finalidad. Woven in with the pilgrim interviews are 48 exercises at level A1-A2.
Todo Claro offers more than 100 grammar, vocabulary, situation and cultural exercises at all levels. Also has a verb conjugator, though the old Comp-jugador is more comprehensive.
The Spanish CALL Project has lots of exercises, grammar and links. See also Ejercicios de lengua española - a collection of on-line grammar exercises from Juan Ramón de Arana.
Learn Spanish - a free online tutorial.
Spanish Food Dictionary

Literature

- Biblioteca Virtual Miguel de Cervantes - a comprehensive virtual library for Hispanic Studies, offering electronic editions of thousands of works spanning many centuries. This is a very valuable tool for students of Spanish.
- Ciudad Seva is the website of author Luis López Nieves, which has a good collection of links for Spanish literature & language.
- Proyecto Sherezade has contemporary short stories in Spanish by authors from all over the world, plus vocabulary and grammar exercises, comprehension questions etc.
- Literatura Argentina Contemporánea - extensive details and excerpts of many Argentinian authors.

News & media online

- El Mundo is one of Spain's most popular newspapers, which also has La Revista on-line, its Sunday supplement with a good range of full-text articles.
- El País is another popular daily.
- ABC Electrónico - right-leaning daily news from Spain.
- Latin American countries are also well-represented; see for example La Jornada from Mexico, Clarín from Argentina, El Tiempo from Colombia, El Mercurio from Chile and Puerto Rico's Televicentro news summaries.
- Google Noticias España allows you to search and browse hundreds of continuously updated news sources.
- TVE Internacional television schedules - as seen in the Language Learning Centre.
- Canal Sur TV from Andalucia (for practice with that tricky Southern accent!), or try Canal13 TV from Chile.
- BBC Mundo is the Spanish-language website of the BBC World Service - lots of features to read and watch, plus a live feed