

Reading List/preparation ideas (Summer before yr.12)

- You will need a decent grammar book – familiarise yourself with the tenses and the basic word order rules.
- Use the '**Languages online**' website to practise various grammar points until you feel confident using them.
- Listen to Spanish in order to tune your ear into the language – watch **youtube** clips about topics you find interesting and try watching **veinte minutos** , which is a summary of news in Spanish.
- Join **MFL clips with audio & subtitles** on Facebook and watch the Spanish clips
- Research some aspect of the history of Spain or Latin America, which interests you.
- Follow this link to access free Open University courses in Spanish. There are many free courses available at different levels and you'll get a certificate of completion at the end. <https://www.open.edu/openlearn/free-courses/full-catalogue>
- On **Spotify** listen to **Hoy hablamos** podcasts. Simple topics - 10 mins approx - aimed at Spanish learners. **Historia de Espana para Selectividad** podcasts higher level
- Find a Spanish-speaking band that you like and listen to their music. Eg Shakira, Santana, La Oreja de Van Gogh, Maná, Romeo Santos
- Find out a little bit about the main festivals and traditions in Spanish- speaking countries...you could start with the **La Tomatina, or Las Fallas**.
- Watch a **Guillermo del Toro** film – What do you like/dislike about it?
- Find a Spanish series on **Netflix** that interests you. There are lots to choose from – Siempre Bruja, La casa de papel,. There are also lots of documentaries – Nicky Jam - el ganador – or films.