

Spanish Levels with YPW Spanish Immersion School

Language proficiency scale =>

Common European Framework of Reference (Interagency Language Roundtable)

Basic - A1 (0/0+)

Absolute beginners and students who have no previous knowledge of Spanish start at this level. In this level, you will become familiar with the language, learning to understand and speak basic phrases.

At the end of this level you:

- Can understand and use familiar everyday expressions and very basic phrases in order to satisfy specific needs.
- Can introduce him/herself and others and can ask and answer questions about personal details such as where he/she lives, people he/she knows and things he/she has.
- Can interact in a simple way provided the other person talks slowly and clearly and is prepared to help.

Elementary – A2 (1)

In this level, you will improve your comprehension and use of simple phrases and structures. You will also get a better knowledge of Spanish grammar.

At the end of this level you:

- Can understand sentences and frequently used expressions related to areas of most immediate relevance (e.g. very basic personal and family information, shopping, local geography, employment).
- Can communicate in a simple way and perform routine tasks requiring a simple and direct exchange of information on familiar and routine matters.
- Can describe in simple terms aspects of his/her background, immediate environment and matters in areas of immediate basic need.

Intermediate – B1 (1+)

At a B1 level, you will start to communicate and express yourself in Spanish. Your oral and written expression and comprehension will improve greatly.

At the end of this level you:

- Can understand the main points of clear standard input on familiar matters regularly encountered in work, school, leisure, etc.
- Can deal with most situations likely to arise whilst travelling in an area where the language is spoken.
- Can produce simple connected texts on topics which are familiar or of personal interest.
- Can describe experiences and events, dreams, hopes and ambitions and briefly give reasons and explanations for opinions and plans.

Advanced – B2 (2/2+)

At a B2 level, communication will be more fluid and with increasingly more resources. You will be able to discuss and express yourself in Spanish, as well as increase your vocabulary repertoire, knowledge of grammar rules and comprehension abilities

At the end of this level you:

- Can understand the main ideas of a complex text on both concrete and abstract topics, including technical discussions in his/her field of specialization.
- Can interact with a degree of fluency and spontaneity that makes regular interaction with native speakers quite possible without any strain for either party.
- Can produce a clear, detailed text on a wide range of subjects and explain a viewpoint from a topical issue giving the advantages and Independent disadvantages of various options.

Proficiency – C1 (3/3+)

When you reach a C1 level, you will have control over the language and a good ability to communicate and understand the majority of written text with ease. You will be working on refining your oral and written expression

At the end of this level you:

- Can understand a wide range of demanding, longer texts, and recognize implicit meaning.
- Can express him/herself fluently and spontaneously without much obvious searching for expressions.
- Can use language flexibly and effectively for social, academic and professional purposes.
- Can produce a clear, well-structured, detailed text on complex subjects, showing controlled use of organizational patterns, connectors and cohesive devices.

Mastery – C2 (4/4+)

At this level, you will be able to communicate almost as effectively as native Spanish speakers.

At the end of this level you:

- Can understand with ease virtually everything heard or read.
- Can summarise information from different spoken and written sources, reconstructing arguments, and accounts in a coherent presentation.
- Can express him/herself spontaneously, very fluently and precisely, differentiating finer shades of meaning, even in more complex situations.