

MAKING THE SWITCH SPECIFICATION COMPARISON

GCSE

SPANISH

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THINKING ABOUT THE SWITCH - COMPARING SPECIFICATIONS

SWITCHING FROM AQA

AQA	Eduqas
Paper 2: Speaking (60 marks) 25%	Component 1: Speaking (60 marks) 25%
Preparation time 7-9 minutes Foundation Tier 10-12 minutes Higher Tier Role play (15 marks) Photo card discussion (15 marks) General conversation (30 marks)	12 minutes preparation time 7-9 minutes Foundation Tier 10-12 minutes Higher Tier Role play (15 marks) Photo card discussion (15 marks) Conversation (30 marks)
Paper 1: Listening (40 marks Foundation Tier, 50 marks Higher Tier) 25%	Component 2: Listening (45 marks) 25%
5 minutes reading time 35 minutes Foundation Tier 45 minutes Higher Tier Section A questions in English, to be answered in English Section B questions in Spanish, to be answered in Spanish	5 minutes reading time 35 minutes Foundation Tier 45 minutes Higher Tier A range of questions in English and also in Spanish. The spoken extracts increase in complexity as the paper progresses.
Paper 3: Reading (60 marks) 25%	Component 3: Reading (60 marks) 25%
45 minutes Foundation Tier 1 hour Higher Tier Section A questions in English, to be answered in English Section B questions in Spanish, to be answered in Spanish Section C translation from Spanish into English (9 marks).	1 hour Foundation Tier 1 hour 15 minutes Higher Tier A range of questions in English and also in Spanish. One translation into English (6 marks).

SWITCHING FROM AQA CONTINUED

AQA	Eduqas
Paper 4: Writing (50 marks at Foundation Tier, 60 marks at Higher Tier) 25%	Component 4: Writing (60 marks) 25%
<p>1 hour Foundation Tier 1 hour 15 minutes Higher Tier</p> <p>Foundation Tier:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> message (8 marks) short passage in response to four bullet points (approx. 40 words) (16 marks) translation into English (10 marks) structured writing task in response to four compulsory bullet points – a choice from two questions (approx. 90 words) (16 marks). <p>Higher Tier:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> structured writing task in response to four compulsory bullet points – a choice from two questions (approx. 90 words) (16 marks) open-ended writing task (candidate responds to two compulsory bullet points – a choice of two questions (approx. 150 words) (32 marks) translation from English into Spanish (12 marks). 	<p>1 hour 15 minutes Foundation Tier 1 hour 30 minutes Higher Tier</p> <p>Foundation Tier:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a short text in Spanish (12 marks) a short text with specified content (approx. 60 words) (16 marks) an extended piece of writing with some specified content (approx. 90-120 words) (20 marks) a translation of simple sentences from English into Spanish (12 marks). <p>Higher Tier:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a piece of writing with some specified content (approx. 90-120 words) (20 marks) an extended more complex piece of writing with some specified content - a choice of two questions (approx. 150-180 words) (28 marks) a translation of a short passage from English into Spanish (12 marks).

SWITCHING FROM PEARSON

Pearson	Eduqas
Paper 2: Speaking (70 marks) 25%	Component 1: Speaking (60 marks) 25%
12 minutes preparation time 7-9 minutes Foundation Tier 10-12 minutes Higher Tier Role play (10 marks) Picture stimulus (24 marks) Conversation (36 marks)	12 minutes preparation time 7-9 minutes Foundation Tier 10-12 minutes Higher Tier Role play (15 marks) Photo card discussion (15 marks) Conversation (30 marks)
Paper 1: Listening (50 marks) 25%	Component 2: Listening (45 marks) 25%
5 minutes reading time 35 minutes Foundation Tier 45 minutes Higher Tier Foundation Tier Section A set in English, answers in English. Section B set in Spanish, answers in Spanish. Higher Tier Section A set in Spanish, answers in Spanish. Section B set in English, answers in English.	5 minutes reading time 35 minutes Foundation Tier 45 minutes Higher Tier A range of questions in English and also in Spanish. The spoken extracts increase in complexity as the paper progresses.
Paper 3: Reading (50 marks) 25%	Component 3: Reading (60 marks) 25%
45 minutes Foundation Tier 1 hour Higher Tier Section A set in English, answers in English. Section B set in Spanish, answers in Spanish. Section C translation into English (7 marks).	1 hour Foundation Tier 1 hour 15 minutes Higher Tier A range of questions in English and also in Spanish. One translation into English (6 marks).

SWITCHING FROM PEARSON CONTINUED

Pearson	Eduqas
Paper 4: Writing (60 marks at Foundation Tier, 60 marks at Higher Tier) 25%	Component 4: Writing (60 marks) 25%
<p>1 hour 10 minutes Foundation Tier 1 hour 20 minutes Higher Tier</p> <p>Foundation Tier:</p> <p>Question 1 – (approx. 20-30 words) (12 marks)</p> <p>Question 2 – formal style (approx. 40-50 words) (16 marks)</p> <p>Question 3 – response to four bullet points – a choice of two questions (approx. 80-90 words) (20 marks)</p> <p>Question 4 – translation of sentences into Spanish (12 marks).</p> <p>Higher Tier:</p> <p>Question 1 – response to four bullet points – a choice of two questions (approx. 80-90 words) (20 marks)</p> <p>Question 2 – response to four bullet points – a choice of two questions, formal style (approx. 130-150 words) (28 marks)</p> <p>Question 3 – translation of a passage into Spanish (12 marks).</p>	<p>1 hour 15 minutes Foundation Tier 1 hour 30 minutes Higher Tier</p> <p>Foundation Tier:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a short text in Spanish (12 marks) • a short text with specified content (approx. 60 words) (16 marks) • an extended piece of writing with some specified content (approx. 90-120 words) (20 marks) • a translation of simple sentences from English into Spanish (12 marks). <p>Higher Tier:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a piece of writing with some specified content (approx. 90-120 words) (20 marks) • an extended more complex piece of writing with some specified content- a choice of two questions (approx. 150-180 words) (28 marks) • a translation of a short passage from English into Spanish (12 marks).