

# Beginning Spanish

## *Purpose*

The purpose of this Spanish class is to enable the student to participate in basic conversational Spanish and eventually engage in a spiritually-directed conversation in order to form redemptive relationships with the Latino community.

## *Goals of the Spanish Class*

- Short-Term Goal: To immediately enable all students to participate in a basic conversation in Spanish (*within 2 weeks*).
- Long-Term Goal: To be able to hold a conversation on various everyday topics; to invite someone to Cornerstone and give directions; to give a basic Gospel presentation (*by the end of the class*).

## *Method of Teaching*

Spanish, or any foreign language, is best learned through actual conversation and new relationships with native speakers; therefore, **conversational ability** is emphasized. Teaching will mainly be done using **dialogues**, with the hope that the student will be able to utilize his/her Spanish (dialogues) as soon as possible in an outside setting. Through these dialogues, students will be introduced to various elements of beginning Spanish grammar, common phrases, and new vocabulary.

In order to **speak** understandable Spanish, instruction on proper **pronunciation** will also be included in weekly class time, as well as occasional personal instruction.

In order to **understand** Spanish speakers, students will also **listen** to Spanish weekly. The goal is not to understand every word spoken; rather, to accustom the ear to the sound and flow of the language which will enable the student to distinguish familiar words and understand basic communication.

## *General layout of the Class*

Devotional (5-10 minutes)

Listening (10 minutes)

Pronunciation Tips (5 minutes)

Scripture Memory (5 minutes)

Dialogue #1 (20 minutes)

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Dialogue #2 (20 minutes)

\*Occasional activity

\*Overall review every 4 weeks.

## *Helpful Resources: Books*

The New Oxford Picture Dictionary, ISBN 0-19-434355-3, \$16.00-\$20.00

Quick Study Charts, "Spanish Grammar", "Spanish Conversation", "Spanish Fundamentals", "Spanish Vocabulary", [www.quickstudy.com](http://www.quickstudy.com), around \$5.00 each

501 Spanish Verbs, by Christopher Kendris, \$5.00-\$10.00

Handbooks by Christopher Kendris: Spanish Grammar; Spanish Verbs; Spanish Vocabulary, around \$7.00 each

1001 Most Useful Spanish Words, by Seymour Resnick, \$2.00

## **Beginning-Intermediate Spanish**

The Ultimate Spanish Review & Practice, ISBN 0658000756, \$1.00-\$10.00

## *Helpful Resources: Websites*

Spanish-English Dictionary: <http://www.spanishdict.com/translation>

Spanish Vocabulary: <http://www.spanishclassonline.com/vocabulary/index1.html> (including a new word every day)

Talking Spanish Vocabulary Flashcards: <http://spanishflashcards.tripod.com/>

Spanish for Beginners, Lesson by Lesson: [http://www.nocomprendo.es/learn\\_spanish\\_online/spanish\\_for\\_beginners/eng/](http://www.nocomprendo.es/learn_spanish_online/spanish_for_beginners/eng/)

123TeachMeSpanish: <http://www.123teachme.com/>

Spanish Grammar & Vocabulary Games: [http://www.spanishprograms.com/spanish\\_teacher/learning\\_module/games.php](http://www.spanishprograms.com/spanish_teacher/learning_module/games.php)

Spanish Quiz: <http://www.121spanish.com/resources/spanish-grammar-interactive>

Spanish Quizzes & Tests: <http://www.ciclapaz.com/spanishonline.html> (more thorough)