Evaluation of Student Performance

Gente/MySpanishLab Homework (20%)

Start Here: Start Here Quiz
After reviewing the materials in the Start Here menu, including the Syllabus and Course Schedule, you are ready to take this short quiz. The purpose of the quiz is to make sure you understood important material presented in the Start Here menu and Syllabus. You can take the quiz as many times as you would like and the highest score will count.

Semana 1: Partner Work Quiz
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Semana 3: Partner Work Quiz

Peer Reviews (5%)

Semana 1: Peer Review for Video Log 1

Semana 2: Peer Review for Video Log 2

Semana 3: Peer Review of Encuentro Cultural
Please view and respond to at least two of your peers’ assignments from the Encuentro Cultural. The peer review should be en español. Post your peer reviews in the Encuentro Cultural (https://canvas.oregonstate.edu/courses/1779443/discussion_topics/8792257/) (https://canvas.oregonstate.edu/courses/1779443/discussion_topics/8792257/discussion_thread (https://canvas.oregonstate.edu/courses/1779443/discussion_topics/8792257/). Remember to view the Peer Review Discussion Board Rubric and Posting Guidelines (https://canvas.oregonstate.edu/courses/1779443/pages/start-here-discussion-board-guidelines-grading-rubrics-and-netiquette/) to guide you in creating quality peer responses.

Semana 3: Peer Review of Portfolio
By Saturday of Week 3 at 4:59 pm you need to complete two peer reviews of portfolios submitted by your peers. Go to the Portfolio discussion board (https://canvas.oregonstate.edu/courses/1779443/discussion_topics/8792259/) to select and view two portfolios that...
Encuentro Cultural (10%)  
**Semana 2: Preparing for the Encuentro Cultural**  
During Semana 3, you will complete the Encuentro Cultural assignment. This assignment requires a significant amount of time and organization because you will need to arrange an interview (of at least one hour) with someone from outside the course. You will need to prepare questions before the interview as well as compile and analyze the results of the interview. In this short ‘quiz’ you will get to know the Encuentro Cultural assignment so that you can start preparing for it. You may want to open a second window with the instructions for the Encuentro Cultural to help you complete the quiz. You can take the quiz as many times as you would like. The highest score will count.

**Semana 3: Encuentro Cultural**

In this assignment, you will engage in a conversation with a native Spanish speaker in your area for approximately one hour. This course component gives you the opportunity to expose yourself to the Spanish language and the cultures of Spanish speakers in your community under circumstances that foster meaningful, positive interaction. It is also an opportunity to have a real-life experience in Spanish.

**Step 1: ¿Con quién vas a hablar?** Locate a Spanish speaking that is willing to talk with you in Spanish. (If you don’t know anyone personally, ask around to family and friends)

**Step 2: ¿Qué le vas a preguntar?** Write a list of basic questions in Spanish to help you get acquainted with the person (¿Cómo te llamas? ¿De dónde eres? Etc.). Also write a list of at least ten questions in Spanish that relate to the person’s city/town and life events. Try to incorporate vocabulary and structures from Chapters 9 and 10 (related to people, their cities and their stories) into your interview questions. Review the structures and vocabulary in Chapters 9-10 before writing your questions and conducting your interview. You may plan on asking additional questions in English as well.

**Step 3: La entrevista.** Conduct your interview and take notes or record the answers. If you want to record the conversation, you should ask for permission and tell the interviewee why you are recording.

**Step 4: Resumen y análisis.** Your report about the Encuentro Cultural, no less than 400 words in length, should include your interview questions and a summary of each of the responses given. You do not need to include a word for word transcription of the responses but your summary of each of the responses does need to be in Spanish. In addition, include an analysis and reflection section in English in which you describe any insights you gained from this experience including a description of how your perspectives of Spanish language, peoples and cultures may have evolved as a result of the activity.

**NOTE:** As we will be sharing these papers on the discussion board and completing peer reviews of each other’s work, you should change the interviewee’s name unless you have permission from them to use their name.

Log de Aprendizaje (5%)  
**Semana 3: Log de aprendizaje**  
To complete the Log de Aprendizaje, open and complete the Log instructions here (https://canvas.oregonstate.edu/courses/1779443/files/78469436/download?verifier=zezjrbKMCuoJy8gOZLpom390Rq66kYpB3THLnR& #38;wrap=1) You may submit your assignment as a word document (by downloading and completing the word document) or as a text submission. You may wish to visit the Learning Log Rubric (https://canvas.oregonstate.edu/courses/1779443/pages/start-here-discussion-board-guidelines-grading-rubrics-and-netiquette/) before beginning the assignment.

Listening/Speaking/Discussion (20%)  
**Semana 1 Discussion: Relative Pronoun Riddle**  
In the Relative Pronoun Practice activity (https://canvas.oregonstate.edu/courses/1779443/pages/semana-1-relative-pronoun-practice), you solved city-related riddles while listening to statements that used relative pronouns.

As a follow up activity, it is your turn to create a relative pronoun riddle for your classmates!

(1) Choose two vocabulary words from page 160 in your book.

(2) Write a sentence that describes each of the words you chose (with out giving them away!). You must use a relative pronoun (see page 162 in your book and the E-Lesson on Relative Pronouns) (https://canvas.oregonstate.edu/courses/1779443/pages/semana-1-partner-work-slash-readings-slash-e-lectures/) in each of your riddles.

(3) Post the sentence(s) to this discussion board.

(4) Try to solve at least one of your classmates’ riddles by posting the answer to their riddle as a reply.

**Semana 1 Discussion: Presentaciones**  
**Presentaciones.** Hola compañeros. Bienvenidos a todos. Let’s begin by getting to know each other through the discussion board. Post a video to the discussion board that answers the following questions en español.

- ¿Cómo te llamas? (nombre y apellido)
- ¿Cuántos años tienes? ¡Puedes mentir!  
- ¿De dónde eres? ¿Y dónde vives? (ciudad/pueblo, estado/región, país)
- ¿Cuáles son tus hobbies? ¿Qué te gusta hacer en tu tiempo libre?
- ¿Qué tipo de música te gusta?
- ¿Cómo es tu familia?
- ¿Por qué estudias español?
- Algo que quieres compartir con la clase (something you want to share with the class)

**¡El español es multidimensional!** At this stage in your Spanish studies, you are ready to 'profundizar', to dig deeper. What has sparked your attention about the language and how and where it is used? This assignment is your opportunity to delve deeper into the multidimensional world of Spanish. For this open ended assignment, choose one or more of the below topics in which to expand and reflect on your knowledge.
of Spanish. The questions within each topic area are meant to serve as a guide but are not exhaustive. This assignment may be completed in English. Don't forget to cite your sources!

- **History of the Spanish Language**: What are the origins of the Spanish language as we know it today? See what you can find out about how Arabic, Latin, Greek, indigenous languages of the Americas, languages of African origin, English and any other linguistic influences have contributed to the development of modern Spanish. Choose to focus on one of these influences, a few or even all of them. How have these languages shaped the structure of Spanish, its vocabulary, its usage, etc.? Give some specific examples that you find interesting. Ask a native speaker what they know about this topic. What interests you about their response?

- **Languages of Latin America and Spain**: What other languages are spoken in countries we think of as primarily Spanish speaking? Where do these ‘other’ languages stand socially and politically? Are they of equal status? Are they used in the media? In the schools? How do the languages manifest socially? Are they used primarily in the home/outside the home/within specific communities? Historically how have these languages been treated within these countries? If they are being maintained, how? If they are endangered, why? Can you find an audio or video clip to share so your classmates can hear an example of the language(s) you chose to focus on. What influence has Spanish had on these languages and vice versa? How do the languages interact with each other?

- **Spanish in Africa**: What do you know about Spanish in Africa? What is the history of the Spanish language in Africa? Where in Africa is it currently spoken? What is its social status within these regions? How and by whom is it used? In the media? In commerce? Books? Music? Film? Can you find an audio or video clip that demonstrates the speech patterns of a Spanish speaker in Africa?

- **Language and Power**: Language is power. What does this mean? How do language and power interact and what is the result? How does this power dynamic manifest itself with respect to the use of Spanish in the United States, throughout Latin America and in Spain? Where is Spanish the dominant language and where is it the subordinate language? How are these power dynamics created and maintained; why; and at what expense or by what gain? What role did language have in the colonization of Latin America? There are many more angles from which to explore within this theme. What interests you about the interaction of language and power as you study the Spanish language?

- **Regional varieties**: Spanish abounds with variety: from country to country, from region to region, from city to city. What stands out about each particular variety and how did these varieties form? What are some of the distinguishing characteristics of given varieties? Focus your discussion on a region of interest. It could be a country (e.g. Chile, Argentina, Spain, Mexico, Colombia, Cuba, Puerto Rico, etc.); regions within a country (e.g. Ecuadorian coast vs. Ecuadorian Andes); cities (e.g. Guadalajara vs. Oaxaca in Mexico) or the area(s) of your choice. What can you find out about specific varieties of Spanish? Can you ask a native speaker to share their knowledge? Are there stereotypes about the Spanish of a specific country or city? Can you share a recording that exemplifies the characteristics of this variety? What else did you find out?

- **Slang**: Is slang important to learn for second language students? Why or why not? How do you think it can help/hinder you in your journey to becoming fluent in Spanish? Are there slang expressions you have heard and wondered about? How did you know it was ‘slang’. What can you learn about slang in Spanish? Who uses it and in what social contexts? Is it appropriate for you to use? With who? How do you know? Try asking a Spanish speaker to teach you the top 10 slang terms they think you should know and how to correctly use them in context. Are there slang expressions that are specific to certain countries, regions or social groups?

- **Spanglish**: Do you love Spanglish? Do you hate it? Why? What have you heard others say about it? Ask several bilingual English/Spanish speakers their opinions and compare their responses. Why do you think they have the attitude they do? Look up the term ‘code-switching’ and see what you can learn. Listen to bilinguals speak and take note of any occurrences of Spanglish. Do you hear examples of Spanglish through the media? Does it appear to be presented in a positive or negative light? Share any examples you come across and reflect on them.

- **Real Academia Española (RAE)**: What is the RAE? What does it do? What is the history of the RAE; how and when was it formed? How does it enforce its regulations? Are changes put in place by the RAE universally accepted? What changes have been approved by the RAE in recent history? Can you find any documentation of cases when the RAE decisions were challenged or questioned? What changes is the RAE currently considering? Is the RAE a useful tool to you? What interests or surprises you about the RAE? Do we have a similar organization for the English language? Why do you think this is?

**Semana 1 Discussion: ¿Cómo es mi ciudad?**

In the vocabulary practice activity Vocabulario de la ciudad (https://canvas.oregonstate.edu/courses/1779443/pages/semana-1-vocabulario-de-la-ciudad/), you will hear a series of descriptions of different towns and cities and will have to pick the image that best fits with the description you hear.

While you listen to the city descriptions in the activity, take note of any that could also describe your own town or city. Transcribe the statement you hear that best describes your town/city and post it here along with the name of your town and state. You can also post a picture if you want.

**Semana 1 Discussion : ¿Qué le gusta y qué estudia?**

Once you have established a partner for this course via the Partner Search Discussion Board (https://canvas.oregonstate.edu/courses/1779443/discussion_topics/8792249/), interview your partner to find out where they are from, what they study and what they like (could be activities they like or actual things they like). Share this information with the rest of the class by posting an audio recording in the discussion board. This is a speaking assignment.

**Semana 1: Listening Practice Quiz-Portland urbaniza**

After watching the Semana 1 Listening Practice video-Portland urbaniza (https://canvas.oregonstate.edu/courses/1779443/pages/semana-1-listening-practice-video-portland-urbaniza/), complete the following quiz. You can watch the video as many times as you like before taking the quiz and while taking the quiz.

**Semana 1: Listening Practice Quiz-Nuestras ciudades**

After watching the Listening Practice video Nuestras ciudades (https://canvas.oregonstate.edu/courses/1779443/pages/semana-1-listening-practice-video-nuestras-ciudades/), complete the following quiz. You can watch the video as many times as you like before taking the quiz and while taking the quiz.
Semana 1: Video Log 1-A comparar nuestras ciudades
¡A comparar nuestras ciudades!

Please create an audiovisual presentation (video, PowerPoint with voice-over, Jing (http://www.techsmith.com/jing.html), Screencast-o-matic (http://www.screencast-o-matic.com/), Kaltura (http://learn.oregonstate.edu/kaltura/tools-resources/), etc.) in Spanish (this is a speaking exercise) in which you compare and contrast your city with another city then post it in the discussion board. Your video log should include the following:

- a comparison of your city and another city
- as much vocabulary as possible from Chapter 9 (see page 160)
- comparisons of difference using adjectives, nouns and verbs (see page 161)
- superlatives (see page 161)
- comparisons of equality using adjectives, nouns and verbs (see pages 161-162)
- comparisons of the weather and climate in the two cities (see pages 161-163)

Semana 1: Spontaneous Speech Practice-Mi ciudad
Objective: The purpose of this activity is to practice your ability to speak spontaneously in response to questions or prompts. Scripted speaking will not be accepted on this activity. You will not be graded on having perfect grammar but rather on your ability to understand the questions/prompts and to make your responses understood. Please view the Spontaneous Speech Practice Rubric (https://canvas.oregonstate.edu/courses/1779443/pages/start-here-discussion-board-guidelines-grading-rubrics-and-netiquette/) before beginning this assignment.

You may also want to re-watch the Listening Practice Videos from this week before beginning this assignment.

Read the instructions carefully before beginning: Once you open the quiz, you will have a total of 20 minutes to complete the activity. Your recording should be 1.5-2 minutes long. Shorter or longer recordings will not be accepted.

Semana 2: Video Log 2-Mi autobiografía
¡Mi autobiografía! Para tu Video Log 2, presenta los momentos más importantes en tu vida en una autobiografía.

Please create an audiovisual presentation (video, PowerPoint with voice-over, Jing (http://www.techsmith.com/jing.html), Screencast-o-matic (http://www.screencast-o-matic.com/), Kaltura (http://learn.oregonstate.edu/kaltura/tools-resources/), etc.) in Spanish (this is a speaking exercise) in which you relate the important events and moments of your life as an autobiography and then post it in the discussion board.

Your presentation should include the following:

- as much vocabulary as possible from Chapter 10 (see page 178)
- at least 15 different verbs in the preterit tense, including at least five verbs that are irregular in the preterit (see pages 179-180)
- some events that include specific dates (see page 180)

Semana 2: Listening Practice Quiz-Las vacaciones invernales
After watching the Listening Practice video-Las vacaciones invernales (https://canvas.oregonstate.edu/courses/1779443/pages/semana-2-listening-practice-video-las-vacaciones-invernales/), complete the following quiz.

You can watch the video as many times as you like before taking the quiz and while taking the quiz.

Semana 2: Listening Practice Quiz-Los abuelos
After watching the Listening Practice video Los abuelos (https://canvas.oregonstate.edu/courses/1779443/pages/semana-2-listening-practice-video-los-abuelos/), complete the following quiz. You can watch the video as many times as you like before taking the quiz and while taking the quiz.

Semana 2: Spontaneous Speech Practice-Mis últimas vacaciones
Objective: The purpose of this activity is to practice your ability to speak spontaneously in response to questions or prompts. Scripted speaking will not be accepted on this activity. You will not be graded on having perfect grammar but rather on your ability to understand the questions/prompts and to make your responses understood. Please view the Spontaneous Speech Practice Rubric (https://canvas.oregonstate.edu/courses/1779443/pages/start-here-discussion-board-guidelines-grading-rubrics-and-netiquette/) before beginning this assignment.

You may also want to re-watch the Listening Practice Videos from this week before beginning this assignment.

Read the instructions carefully before beginning: Once you open the quiz, you will have a total of 20 minutes to complete the activity. Your recording should be 1.5-2 minutes long. Shorter or longer recordings will not be accepted.

Semana 3: Listening Practice Quiz-Novelas históricas
After watching the Listening Practice video-Novelas históricas (https://canvas.oregonstate.edu/courses/1779443/pages/semana-3-listening-practice-video-novelas-historicas/), complete the following quiz. You can watch the video as many times as you like before taking the quiz and while taking the quiz.

Semana 3: Spontaneous Speech Practice-Mi niñez
Objective: The purpose of this activity is to practice your ability to speak spontaneously in response to questions or prompts. Scripted speaking will not be accepted on this activity. You will not be graded on having perfect grammar but rather on your ability to understand the questions/prompts and to make your responses understood. Please view the Spontaneous Speech Practice Rubric (https://canvas.oregonstate.edu/courses/1779443/pages/start-here-discussion-board-guidelines-grading-rubrics-and-netiquette/) before beginning this assignment.

You may also want to re-watch the listening practice video from this week before beginning this assignment.

Read the instructions carefully before beginning: Once you open the quiz, you will have a total of 20 minutes to complete the activity. Your recording should be 1.5-2 minutes long. Shorter or longer recordings will not be accepted.

Semana 3 Discussion: ¿Qué pasó con los tres aventureros?
After completing the Los tres aventureros practice activity (https://canvas.oregonstate.edu/courses/1779443/pages/semana-3-los-tres-aventureros/) that tells the tale of three travelers on an adventure, decide how you think the story should end. Write one or two sentences of your own to bring conclusion to the tale and post them here. Use at least one vocabulary word from Chapter 11 (page 196). Also pay attention to your
choice of preterit or imperfect. Don’t forget to read your classmates posts to see how their endings are similar or different from yours!

Composición (10%)
Semana 2: Composición (First Draft)
Composition: Una carta al alcalde. (first draft)

Haz una lista de los tres problemas principales que tiene la ciudad en la que vives u otra ciudad que conoces (tráfico, contaminación, falta de servicios, etc.) y otra lista con tres soluciones posibles. Después escribe una carta al alcalde (mayor) para exponerle los problemas y ofrecer soluciones.

Your letter to the mayor should do the following:

- Introduce yourself and the purpose of the letter (tell the mayor why you are writing)
- Use a formal greeting and a formal register (usted)
- Describe three problems you see in the city
- Suggest solutions to the problems you see
- Use as much vocabulary from chapter 9 as possible (see page 160)
- Use at least two relative pronouns (see page 162)
- Use structures for expressing opinions as presented in the textbook on pages 162-163 (yo pienso, yo creo, a mí me parece, lo más importante es, es necesario, etc.)

When you have finished writing, be sure to edit your work for the following:

- Noun-adjective agreement (singular/plural, masculine/feminine)
- Noun-article agreement
- Subject-verb agreement
- Spelling and vocabulary errors


Oral Evaluation (15%)
Semana 3: Evaluación Oral (Final)

With your partner you will use Uberconference (http://www.uberconference.com) (or the recording tool of your choice) to record conversation as follows:

You and your partner will share some family history with each other. Describe some events that took place in the life of family members. In your conversation:

- use vocabulary from chapter 10 and 11 (page 178 and 196)
- use the preterit and the imperfect (pages 179-180 and 197-198)

The goal of the oral evaluation is to showcase the speaking skills you have been developing through the videos, partner practice, listening practice videos, etc. Perfect Spanish is not the goal! Use the vocabulary and the structures you have learned. Look at the rúbrica (https://canvas.oregonstate.edu/courses/1779443/pages/start-here-discussion-board-guidelines-grading-rubrics-and-netiquette/) beforehand to get a sense of what will be expected from you. To obtain the highest grade on the conversation, speak spontaneously as much as possible. Instead of reading a script try making a list of key words and phrases you want to remember to use that you can refer to during the recording.

When you have recorded your conversation, turn it in through the submission link on the upper right of the screen. Only one person per group needs to submit the recording but be sure to include both students’ names.

Follow this link for additional information on using UberConference (http://www.uberconference.com/faq/).

Final Portfolio (15%)
Semana 3: Portfolio

Introduction. The portfolio is your chance to showcase the skills you have acquired over the term and is also an opportunity to further explore the cultures of the Spanish-speaking world and how to integrate your newly acquired culture and language knowledge into your life, academic and otherwise. In addition you will get to see how your classmates plan to do the same.

Assignment Outcomes. After completing this activity you will be able to:

- Name and describe at least one Spanish language musician and at least one Spanish language film.
- Isolate and identify vocabulary words heard in Spanish language music.
- Point out similarities and differences between Spanish language music and that which that you are more familiar with.
- Talk about what you did yesterday or in your recent past using the preterit and the imperfect
- Speak spontaneously (without a script) in the past tense for at least 2 minutes
- State at least one Spanish speaking country you would like to visit, at least one dish from the Spanish-speaking world that you would like to try and express in Spanish why you chose each
- State at least one Spanish speaking person that you would like to meet and one Spanish language film you would like to see and express in Spanish why you chose each
- Select one area of Spanish grammar or Spanish language learning in general in which you feel you need to improve and identify at least three resources that could help you do so

Instructions. Create a presentation showing what you have learned this term. You will be posting your presentation for your classmates to observe and comment on. You could use tools such as Padlet, Smore, Glogster, Infogr.am, Piktochart or any other presentational tool that is to your liking. Use photos, images, imbedded sound, imbedded video and anything else that makes your presentation visually stimulating.

(1) Create a presentation that includes all of the following:

- Una cita, un dicho o un refrán. Choose a quote or a saying in Spanish as in introduction to your portfolio.
- Una carta al alcalde: Include your final draft of the Composition.
- A link (Youtube?) to a song in Spanish and some commentary from you about the song (in Spanish). I would like at least 4 reflective observations (in Spanish) from you as well as 6 interesting words or expressions you learned. If you participated in SPAN 111 or SPAN 112 please choose a new song this term. Tell us what the words/expressions mean and, if needed, give a little context to understand
how the expression/word is used. Here are some ideas about what to comment on but do not feel limited to this list: ¿Qué te gusta de la canción? ¿Qué no te gusta? ¿Por qué? ¿Cómo y dónde encontraste la canción y qué aprendiste sobre la música en español o sobre el artista mientras que buscabas la canción? ¿Qué observaciones culturales notaste sobre la letra (lyrics) de la canción y sobre las imágenes en el video? ¿Qué similitudes y diferencias observaste entre esta música y la música que escuchas normalmente? ¿Qué género de música es y cuáles son las características que distinguen este tipo de música? ¿Qué más aprendiste durante este proyecto?

• **Lo que pasó ayer.** Record a video of yourself describing something that happened yesterday or recently in Spanish. Use the preterit and the imperfect as appropriate. This should be a non-scripted, spontaneous recording. No scripted speeches will be accepted. This portion of the portfolio showcases your speaking capacities. You will be evaluated on your ability to communicate, not on your perfect or imperfect use of grammar. Please speak for at least 2 minutes.

• **Spanish Wish List.** *En español, díganos:*
  - un plato latinoamericano o español que quieres probar y por qué quieres probarlo
  - un lugar que quieres visitar en el mundo hispanohablante y por qué quieres visitarlo
  - un tema gramatical o área del aprendizaje del español en el que quieres mejorar; incluye una lista de por lo menos tres recursos que te pueden ayudar a mejorar (títulos de libros, enlaces a páginas o videos, etc.)
  - una película que te gustaría ver en español y por qué te interesa
  - una persona hispanohablante a quien te gustaría conocer y por qué te llama la atención esta persona

(2) When your presentation is complete, post it to the Discussion Board folder in Canvas Semana 3 Final Portfolio. **This must be posted to the Discussion Board by Friday of week 3 at 11:59 pm (PST).**

(3) By Saturday of week 3, you must **look at and respond to presentations posted by at least two** of your classmates. Your peer responses for this assignment are required and graded and should be in Spanish. Here you will find a list of questions that you might want to consider when posting responses to your peers. This list is meant to be a guideline to help you focus on meaningful and engaging interactions on the discussion board but you do not need to limit yourself to this list: ¿Qué diferencias hay entre tu proyecto y los proyectos de tus compañeros? ¿En qué aspectos son similares? ¿Qué te gustó del proyecto y por qué? ¿Cómo y dónde encontraste la canción y qué aprendiste sobre el artista mientras que buscabas la canción? ¿Qué similitudes y diferencias observaste entre esta música y la música que escuchas normalmente? ¿Qué género de música es y cuáles son las características que distinguen este tipo de música? ¿Qué más aprendiste durante este proyecto?

**Note:** To see a model assignment, visit the following link: [https://padlet.com/raven_chakerian/rwqazhqci0p9](https://padlet.com/raven_chakerian/rwqazhqci0p9)

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