



## **AICE Spanish Language AS**

### **Summer Assignments**

**Ms. Rangel**

¡Felicitaciones! I am glad that you have chosen to continue your study of Spanish through the Cambridge International AS level.

Cambridge International AS level in languages other than English is accepted by universities and employers as proof of linguistic ability and understanding. Successful language students gain lifelong skills.

**“Our research has shown that students who came to the university with a Cambridge AICE background performed better than anyone else that came to the university. That really wasn’t surprising considering the emphasis they have on critical research and analysis, and that’s what we require at university”**

John Barnshill, Assistant Vice President for Enrollment Management, Florida State University, USA.

The exam will test all of the major language skills: reading comprehension, writing skills, speaking ability and listening comprehension, in addition to general cultural knowledge of Hispanic world. Therefore, you will need to continue your practice in your skills areas this summer.

These assignments will not take too much time each week, but the work should be spread out throughout the summer rather than trying to cram everything into a few days.

**Summer work will be due on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of school!!!!**

**Assignment #1: Familiarize yourself with the exam.** Become familiar with everything that is published on the **Cambridge Assessment International Education** website.

**Assignment #2: Grammar review**

You will help yourself if you review and refine your grammar skills prior to the beginning of the school year. Download the attached document with the grammar material and work on that.

**Assignment #3 Listening practice**

You will need to spend at least 2 ½ hours listening to authentic Spanish this summer, in 30 minutes increments. You may listen to the radio, Movies/TV series, etc. Find something that

interests you. At the beginning it may be hard to understand the first time, so you may listen to it more than once, take notes, etc. Use the attached listening log for each activity.

**3 listening logs should be completed by the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of school!!!**

**Assignment #4 Reading and Writing practice**

Reading is an important part of the exam. To strengthen your Spanish reading comprehension and writing skills, you will read and summarize **3** articles in Spanish. You will also document new words you learn and use those words in original sentences. Use the attached form to record the articles you have read and write your summaries.