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Language Spanish course outline (ab initio)

(including German curriculum)

Course specifics

• The IB Language Spanish (course outline) combined with German curriculum for the Abitur

in North-Rine Westphalia.

• Students are taught four 45-minute-classes per week.

Resources

Klink, Hella (Hg.), Rutas superior. Arbeitsbuch Spanisch für die Qualifikationsphase.

Schülerband, Braunschweig (Schöningh), 2014.

• Different Works of literatura

Different feature films, documentaries and audio documentations

Print and online media

Course outline

The general syllabus outlines of the German curriculum in Spanisch acquisition classes and of

language B courses in the IB are very similar. In both students are to develop the ability to

communicate in the target language through the study of language, themes and texts. A key aim

of both courses is to develop international-mindedness through the study of language, culture,

and ideas and issues of global significance. The only notable differences are some additional

aspects in the German system (e.g. an additional focus on the analysis of texts, films and other

visuals). Thus the course curriculum is designed as a combined curriculum.

Conceptual learning plays a major role in both systems. Therefore, students are encouraged to

manage their own learning process which is supported by a wide range of learning experiences

and strategies like e.g. individual or group presentations, pair/group work, fishbowl discussions,

staged debates interdisciplinary learning, creative and practical realization of ideas (creating audio

plays, film scenes) etc.

Throughout the course students work with a wide range of different text types and other

materials, among them fictional texts (novels, plays, short stories, poems etc.) and non-fictional

texts (newspaper articles, blogs, reports, editorials, speeches, argumentative essays etc.) as well as

audio and video materials.

The students study a minimum of one complete works of literature. Typical examples are:

- La composición de Antonio Skármeta
- La aventura de Saíd de Josep Lorman

German curriculum topics relevant to the IB Language B courses are outlined in the left column of the table.

The German curriculum follows a thematic approach and completely covers all five prescribed themes. In the right column of the table the themes of the IB syllabus on which special focus is put in the given semester will be indicated.

Questions relating to Theory of Knowledge (TOK) and language are marked in green. Examples of possible CAS activities are marked in pink.

| Course profiles | |
|---|---|
| German curriculum including IB language B | Themes from IB syllabus in focus and IB |
| course curriculum | specifics |
| Q1.1 (year 11, first semester) | |
| 1. Las diversas caras del turismo en España | Organización social |
| aspectos tratados: | Ingenio humano |
| El turismo en Andalucía, así como otras | • Experiencias |
| regiones españolas | Cómo compartimos el planeta |
| Retos y oportunidades de la economía | |
| El turismo de masas y el turismo | CAS: Escribir una guía turística con consejos |
| responsabel | para un turismo sostenible. |
| Los retos del medio ambiente (p. ej. la | |
| sequía) | |
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| 2. Barcelona: capital polifacética de una | |
| comunidad bilingüe | |
| aspectos tratados: | |
| Barcelona como ejemplo de una capital | • Identidades |
| politacética de Cataluña | Organización social |
| La situación lingüística en España | • Experiencias |
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- La política lingüística (el monolingüismo y el bilingüismo)
- Regionalimsus e identidad nacional
- La independencia de Cataluña actual

TOK: ¿Cómo se refleja el racismo, los prejuicios y la discriminación en el idioma?

CAS: Participar activamente en una mesa redonda representado diferentes posturas sociales y políticas.

Q1.2 (year 11, secondsemester)

1.+2. Vivir y convivir en una España multicultural

aspectos tratados:

- La convivencia histórica de las tres culturas (cristiana, musulmana y judía)
- La inmigración de otros continentes (p. ej. África, Euorpa y Sudamérica)
- La convivencia de las diferentes culturas en la actualidad
- La adaptación frente al aislamiento
- Los descendientes de los moros y gitanos

- Identidades
- Organización social
- Experiencias
- Organización social
- Cómo compartimos el planeta
- Ingenio humano

TOK: ¿Cómo se refleja el racismo, los prejuicios y la discriminación en el idioma?

CAS: Realizar presentaciones sobre los factores de empuje y atracción.

Participar en discusiones.

Q2.1 (year 12, first semester)

 La realidad chilena en la literatura de Skármeta

aspectos tratados:

 La realidad chilena en la literatura de Antonio Skármeta "La composición"

2. Retos y oportunidades de la diversidad étnica en Latinoamérica

aspectos tratados:

- El desarrollo histórico y cultural de las diferentes etnias, por ej. la etnia
 Mapuche
- Las estructuras sociales y políticas de por ej. los Mapuche
- Perspectivas futuras de sociedades multiétnicas

- Identidades
- Experiencias
- Ingenio humano
- Organización social

CAS: Escribir una crítica literaria.

- Identidades
- Organización social
- Experiencias
- Organización social
- Cómo compartimos el planeta
- Ingenio humano

TOK: ¿Cómo se refleja el racismo, los prejuicios y la discriminación en el idioma?

CAS: Desarrollar proyectos de integración.

Hacer una entrevista a una

comunidad étnica de Latinoamérica.

Q2.2 (year 12, secondsemester)

1. El desafío de la probreza infantil en

Latinoamérica

aspectos tratados:

- La desigualdad social en Latinoamérica
- El trabajo infantil
- La situación de los niños callejros y su sueño de una vida mejor
- Identidades
- Experiencias
- Ingenio humano
- Organización social

TOK: ¿Cómo se refleja el racismo, los prejuicios y la discriminación en el idioma?

CAS: Organizar una charla con trabajador social o una ONG.

Theory of knowledge

The TOK questions outlined in the table above are exemplary questions. Individual topic choices will require different TOK questions. Some TOK questions are more general and can apply to several or all the topics studied. Students are encouraged repeatedly to discuss central TOK questions relating to the subject language, culture and, to some extent, literature and to apply them to different topics in order to get a better idea of the nature of and interdependency between language, culture and literature and develop more awareness of the way language can influence thinking.

Creativity, activity, service (CAS)

Students follow their own individual CAS project throughout the course of the IB programme. The activities outlined in the curriculum above should be seen as opportunities to integrate some CAS activities into the English B course. Individual teachers may introduce their own ideas for CAS activities in the Spanish courses. Additionally, IB students are always encouraged to make their own suggestions for possible CAS activities in the context of their English classes.

Assessment practice

All students have to do 1 oral exam and 3 written exams throughout years 11 and 12 (DP years 1 and 2), which include reading, listening and listening-viewing comprehension, text production (descriptive, analytical, argumentative and creative texts) as well as mediation. These exams are a mandatory part of the German English-curriculum but at the same time they serve as preparation for papers 1 and 2 of the IB programme.

Besides, mock exams with sample or old exam tasks are offered to all IB students as additional practice.

IB Internal and external assessment requirements to be completed during the course

Internal assessment

Individual oral (25% of overall assessment)

Based on visual stimulus

Duration: 7-10 minutes:

- Presentation (1-2 min.)
- Conversation based on the presentation (3-4 min.)
- General conversation based on other parts of syllabus (3-4 min.)

Preparation time: 15 minutes

Individual orals will be held in February and March of year 12 (2nd year of DP)

2. External assessment

Paper 1: Productive skills in writing (25% of overall assessment)

1hr, 3 tasks to choose from, 70-150 words

Paper 2: Receptive skills: reading and listening (50% of overall assessment)

1hr 45, 45 min. listening (25 marks), one hour reading (40 marks)

Development of the IB learner profile

In language acquisition the IB all the ten attributes of the IB learner profile are developed to a certain extent. Special focus, however, is put on communication and open-mindedness. It is self-evident that Spanisch classes foster the development of communicators by enabling students to express themselves confidently and creatively in different languages and encouraging them to engage with issues and ideas that have local and global significance (cf. e.g. the topics Globalization and global challenges and Visions of the future in the English B curriculum).

Moreover, **open-mindedness** is an attribute which is especially developed in our language classes since students concern themselves with different cultures and the values and traditions of others and relate them to their own culture(s) and personal histories (cf. e.g., the topic *Postcolonialism: Life in the wider anglophone cultural area* in the English B curriculum).