

**SPAN S999E - Spanish for Reading**  
Yale Summer Session A  
Department of Spanish and Portuguese

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This course provides an overview of fundamental grammar structures and essential vocabulary of the Spanish language. It seeks to help students acquire reading skills in Spanish that will be useful to their own interests and research. Upon completion of the course, students who apply themselves will have developed the ability to understand, summarize, and translate written texts in Spanish. No previous knowledge of Spanish is needed. Conducted in English.

No specific textbook is required. All the grammatical and lexical contents, assignments, and important information about the course will be available on Canvas. The content is organized in MODULES. The material presented in each chapter is intended only for the students registered in this course. Please do not circulate. Some of the video presentations have been recorded with material provided by Vista Higher Learning.

This five-week course is highly compressed and each assignment builds on the next. Each day, you will have assignments. Completing them on time is essential to finishing the course successfully. If you do not work on each chapter on a daily basis, you will have until Sunday to complete all the work assigned for the week. After Sunday, late submissions will be penalized by 20%. No make-up assignments will be given.

- Homework (20%)
- Quizzes (15%)
- Translations (35%)
- Exams (30%)

The use of online translation engines or software is not permitted.

**Note on Plagiarism/Academic Integrity:** No attempt to present another's work as one's own, including inappropriate use of online translation tools or software, is tolerated. If it seems that you used Google Translate or a similar platform to translate entire sentences or passages for an assignment, you will lose points and it will be reported.