

Elementary Spanish I

Curriculum Guide (including Course Objectives, Weekly Content, and Scope and Sequence)

Summary of Course Layout

The Spanish Elementary 1 course consists of 180 lesson days formatted in an intuitive calendar view, which can be divided into two 90-day semesters. The content for each week is based on an immersive Diglot Weave™ story which runs throughout the course with weekly episodes beginning in English and each day weaving in more Spanish. Although the course focuses principally on vocabulary acquisition, basic grammar principles are intuitively grasped through the story, games, activities, and assessments. In addition, students learn to perform a different simple story each semester. Culture lessons are presented through multi-media CultureGrams™ lessons covering cultural aspects of major Spanish-speaking areas in Europe and the Americas.

Overall Course Objectives

The Spanish Elementary 1 course helps students:

- Engage in language learning in a rewarding, low-stress environment
- Get comfortable with the sounds and rhythms of Spanish
- Comprehend more than 600 vocabulary words
- Begin to read, write, speak and listen for meaning in Spanish
- Give simple performances (e.g. songs, stories, etc.) in Spanish
- Recognize distinctive practices and products of various Spanish-speaking countries

Recurring Content

- **Diglot Weave™ Story**
 - Each week students follow a new episode of an immersive Diglot Weave™ story. The story is told several times, each time with more Spanish woven in. (Diglot comes from the roots "di" meaning *two* and "glot" meaning *language*. These stories weave together the students' native language and the target language.) These stories provide students a fun and linguistically-rich context for optimal comprehension.
- **Reinforcement Activities**
 - A range of interactive games helps students reinforce vocabulary and phrases. These activities may be completed multiple times so that students can better retain and apply the new information.
- **Presentation of Culture through CultureGrams™ and Culture Videos**
 - Each week students learn about various cultural aspects (e.g. practices and products) of a Spanish-speaking country. CultureGrams™ are multi-media cultural presentations that

cover a wide range of topics such as gestures, etiquette, history, food, and more. The lessons are built for students in grades 3-6.

- **Target Performance**
 - Each semester, students learn and perform (i.e. submit a recording of) a story or song they have learned. The target performance content is structurally simple, but helps students gain an intuitive grasp of basic grammar, and to begin to work creatively in the language by stringing together words to make sentences, songs, or stories.
- **Assessments**
 - Diglot Weave™ comprehension quizzes verify that students are following the ongoing immersive Diglot Weave™ story and that they are picking up key ideas and vocabulary as they follow along.
 - Culture comprehension quizzes verify that students have captured facts and key understandings from the cultural presentations.
 - End-of-week quizzes assess students' comprehension of the main vocabulary words presented that week. Students are typically responsible for learning 15-20 new vocabulary words or phrases each week.
- **Oral and Written Activities**
 - Each week, students complete oral or written activities. These activities give students a chance to become more familiar with the target vocabulary and basic speaking and writing patterns of Spanish by applying them in simplified communicative situations.

Day-to-Day Outline

Each weekday follows a typical schedule from week to week.

Day 1

- Introduction to the new Diglot Weave™ episode – English only
- Comprehension quiz about the Diglot Weave™ episode
- Vocabulary activity to prepare for the first level version of the Diglot Weave™ episode
- Diglot Weave™ episode – Version 1 with select Spanish words introduced
- Interactive vocabulary activities to reinforce new Spanish vocabulary

Day 2

- Interactive vocabulary activities
- Diglot Weave™ episode – Version 2 with more Spanish words introduced

Day 3

- Interactive vocabulary activities
- Diglot Weave™ episode – Version 3 with more Spanish words introduced
- Vocabulary quiz based on Diglot Weave™ episode

Day 4

- Culture activity presented through CultureGrams™
- Culture Quiz

Day 5

- Weekly quiz which focuses on the vocabulary and culture learned during the week
- Audio or Speaking activity

Course Scope and Sequence

Culture: Each week focuses on different aspects of various Spanish-speaking countries according to the following chart.

Semester 1

Week 1	Mexico
Week 2	Mexico
Week 3	Mexico
Week 4	Mexico
Week 5	Spain
Week 6	Spain
Week 7	Spain
Week 8	Spain
Week 9	Argentina
Week 10	Argentina
Week 11	Argentina
Week 12	Argentina
Week 13	Guatemala
Week 14	Guatemala
Week 15	Guatemala

Semester 2

Week 19	Cuba
Week 20	Cuba
Week 21	Puerto Rico
Week 22	Puerto Rico
Week 23	Puerto Rico
Week 24	Puerto Rico
Week 25	Colombia
Week 26	Colombia
Week 27	Colombia
Week 28	Colombia
Week 29	Peru
Week 30	Peru
Week 31	Peru
Week 32	Peru
Week 33	Chile

Week 16	Guatemala	Week 34	Chile
Week 17	Cuba	Week 35	Chile
Week 18	Cuba	Week 36	Chile

Vocabulary: Approximately 10 to 15 vocabulary words or phrases are targeted and assessed each week—though many more are introduced through the immersive Diglot Weave™ story. The following chart details the vocabulary words and phrases targeted and assessed throughout the course.

Semester 1

Semester 2

Week 1	dedo	Week 19	No tengo miedo.
	mamá		luz
	roca		tu
	jardín		enojado
	amigos		estoy
	ropa		niña
	niña		estar
	niño		nunca
	oso		¿Qué es eso?
	malo		justo
	rata		siempre
	mano		lejos
	uno		amigo
	dos		él está

Week 2	formas hermano jugar triángulo cuadrado planta por qué hoja nosotros mamá horrible círculo niña rata cara	Week 20	Edad de Piedra refrigerador la cama almohadas el sofá vivo interesante reloj radio televisión abajo
Week 3	amigo sopa rata plantas plantas buenas eso quién imaginario	Week 21	brillante dientes cosa otras y cepillo de dientes cocina platos el espejo

	mi difícil ¿Qué es? hoja		ollas sartenes silla el comedor mesa
Week 4	manos mapa tesoro años especial el hombre eso sí ¿Qué es? muy este dónde estos las fotos difícil	Week 22	cavernícolas extraños sólo tiene cuerpo cabeza pierna esqueleto brazo mano cinco cuatro

Week 5	<p>lunes</p> <p>martes</p> <p>miércoles</p> <p>jueves</p> <p>viernes</p> <p>sábado</p> <p>domingo</p> <p>casa</p> <p>señora</p> <p>cómo</p> <p>tesoro</p> <p>tres</p> <p>cuatro</p> <p>cinco</p> <p>seis</p>	Week 23	<p>en</p> <p>aquí está</p> <p>ellos</p> <p>casa</p> <p>dibujar</p> <p>años</p> <p>ojos</p> <p>nariz</p> <p>boca</p> <p>oreja</p> <p>mano</p>
Week 6	<p>mira</p> <p>amigo</p> <p>adónde</p> <p>rápido</p> <p>valientes</p> <p>qué</p> <p>Está bien.</p> <p>tú</p> <p>primero</p> <p>uno</p>	Week 24	<p>Yo voy a jugar</p> <p>fuego</p> <p>techo</p> <p>un juego</p> <p>la cola</p> <p>son</p> <p>siesta</p> <p>limpiar</p> <p>ventana</p>

	<p>dos</p> <p>tres</p> <p>siete</p> <p>cinco</p> <p>seis</p>		<p>mucho</p> <p>un perro</p>
Week 7	<p>oscuro</p> <p>Yo no sé.</p> <p>nosotros</p> <p>el ruido</p> <p>aquí</p> <p>el oso</p> <p>fácil</p> <p>qué</p> <p>marrón</p> <p>buscar</p> <p>muy</p> <p>mi</p> <p>dos</p> <p>¿Qué pasa?</p> <p>palos</p>	Week 25	<p>vamos</p> <p>creo que</p> <p>reina</p> <p>cuántas</p> <p>hombre</p> <p>techo</p> <p>primero</p> <p>pero</p> <p>quizás</p> <p>rey</p>
Week 8	<p>grande</p> <p>mira</p> <p>loco</p> <p>Yo no sé.</p> <p>ahora</p>	Week 26	<p>mapa del tesoro</p> <p>montaña</p> <p>mi</p>

	<p>un caballo</p> <p>una vaca</p> <p>el gato</p> <p>¿Qué es . . . ?</p> <p>un león</p> <p>tigre</p> <p>serpiente</p> <p>oso</p>		<p>entonces</p> <p>ahora</p> <p>no, gracias</p> <p>brazo</p> <p>oreja</p> <p>ojo</p> <p>pierna</p> <p>boca</p>
Week 9	<p>colores</p> <p>azul</p> <p>blanco</p> <p>rojo</p> <p>verde</p> <p>rosada</p> <p>amarillo</p> <p>púrpura</p> <p>pequeña</p> <p>siempre</p> <p>nada</p> <p>otoño</p> <p>ramas</p> <p>tronco</p>	Week 27	<p>probablemente</p> <p>cuántas</p> <p>dos</p> <p>vida</p> <p>gente</p> <p>ciento veinte</p> <p>comida</p> <p>días</p> <p>entonces</p> <p>veinte</p> <p>treinta</p> <p>cuarenta</p> <p>cincuenta</p>

Week 10	<p>leche</p> <p>limonada</p> <p>uva</p> <p>el jugo</p> <p>caliente</p> <p>jugo de naranja</p> <p>agua</p> <p>ella</p> <p>nosotros</p> <p>increíble</p> <p>beber</p> <p>las bebidas</p> <p>jugo de manzana</p> <p>por qué</p> <p>blanco</p>	Week 28	<p>febrero</p> <p>meses</p> <p>junio</p> <p>abril</p> <p>enero</p> <p>invierno</p> <p>verano</p> <p>julio</p> <p>agosto</p> <p>marzo</p> <p>mayo</p> <p>septiembre</p> <p>octubre</p> <p>noviembre</p> <p>diciembre</p>
Week 11	<p>plátanos</p> <p>favorito</p> <p>más</p> <p>peras</p> <p>espera</p> <p>increíble</p> <p>sal</p>	Week 29	<p>majestad</p> <p>gris</p> <p>realmente</p> <p>¿Qué quieres decir?</p> <p>jardín</p> <p>no veo</p> <p>entonces</p> <p>ahora</p>

	lugar grande fresas rápido naranjas árbol manzana		corona hombre quién cosas con
Week 12	triste tíos tías primos abuela abuelo hermana maravilloso manzana limonada blanco soda jugo de manzana	Week 30	interesante casi trabajo aventuras mapa del tesoro escapar castillo reina rey cincuenta sesenta setenta ochenta noventa

Week 13	tronco río saltar fácil primero abajo huellas inteligente basura cuerda sopa	Week 31	huevos yo comí comiendo última uvas espera gente de nada Lo siento. queso
Week 14	nosotros tiburones agárrate saltar el agua fácil uno mano una pregunta dos tres cuatro cinco	Week 32	camisas pantalones zapatos botas ayudar castillo rey imaginario abrigo calcetines

Week 15	semillas zanahoria marrón apio bueno jardines lechuga las cebollas favorito papas fritas leche	Week 33	leones ratas aventura ¿Cómo lo sabes? pez gatos serpientes osos muñeca interesante recuerdo mono calcetines
Week 16	peligroso oficina de correos ¿Puede? usar supermercado la iglesia la escuela aeropuerto sonido el parque	Week 34	pequeña hermoso maravilloso peligroso valiente el aire me encanta a mi también océano todavía flor

	avión		
Week 17	no queremos derecha izquierda casa parte valiente el agua hay borde roca escuela	Week 35	día fotografía mesas gracias adiós secreto minuto tengo trabajar más o menos gracias por ayudarme buena idea más tarde cámara
Week 18	nunca algunas siempre camas	Week 36	escucha cueva mamá nosotros mía

	joven		mapa
	caminos		divertido
	muy		bosque
	mascotas		periódico
	roca		madera
	casa		entre
	planta		
	aeropuerto		
	oficina de correos		