THE STRUCTURE OF YOUR BGCSE SPANISH / FRENCH EXAMINATION

SPEAKING

CONTENT OF PAPERS	THINGS TO REMEMBER
PAPER 1 Two regular role plays	Second role play contains a "Respond appropriately" prompts
Presentation	A topic which you have prepared well
	before the exam. Speak non-stop for 1 ½
	minutes, then answer a few questions on
	your material.
General conversation	Several questions - currently 15 -covering 3
	topic areas. Full but concise answers in
	Spanish
PAPER 5 - One regular role play	Role play contains one or two "Respond
	appropriately" prompts
One PICTURE Role play	Tell the story shown by a picture series. The
	story is in the past tense and you are a
	participant in the events. Expect to be asked
	questions about the events as well.
Presentation	A topic which you have prepared well
	before the exam. Speak non-stop for 1 ½ to
	2 minutes, then answer a few questions on
	your material
General conversation	Open ended questions covering 3 topic
	areas. You must "run on" as much as you
	can, and even volunteer information
	without being asked.

LISTENING

CONTENT OF PAPERS	THINGS TO REMEMBER
PAPER 2. - Several exercises. 10 Short recordings (1 or 2 sentences) 2 other exercises - a little longer - Announcements; Instructions messages	All instructions on tape The tape will not be stopped. You may write at any time.
About 4 more exercises -increasing in length -; Dialogue; Messages; conversations	One or more items may have instructions and questions in the foreign language but will probably be multiple choice
PAPER 6 - About 4 exercises -increasing in length -; Dialogue; Messages; conversations	One or more items may have instructions and questions in the foreign language but will more likely be multiple choice
About 4 more exercises Dialogues; Messages; conversations; interviews; presentations	

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READING

CONTENT OF PAPERS	THINGS TO REMEMBER
PAPER 3 Several exercises. 10 Short	Short answers in English or ticking choices.
multiple choice items - signs and labels.	One question may have instructions and
Several other exercises - a little longer - Ads,	material presented in Spanish but will most
letters, accounts, articles.	likely be multiple choice.
Longer passages w/ questions to be answered	
in English, Spanish or items to tick.	
PAPER 7 - More news items letters,	Short answers in English or ticking choices.
accounts, articles -increasing in length.	One question or two may have instructions
Full-length articles and accounts towards the	in Spanish but will most likely be multiple
end.	choice.

WRITING		
COMPONENT	THINGS TO REMEMBER	
PAPER 4 Section 1 Write a list of items with short added information - single words or short phrases required. One or two other bits of writing: with specific tasks -letter, written message - about 40 words. Section 2 Long account 100 words. A choices of topics is given.	Follow instructions carefully. Cover each of the five tasks adequately.	
PAPER 8 - Two compositions with specific tasks to cover -letter, long account. First composition 100 words, second 150 words A choices of topics is given.	Follow instructions carefully. Cover each of the five tasks adequately You must write 100 or 150 words as required. Severe penalties if you write much less.	