

Spa 2225

Areas of study for Exam 1

1. Are you able to identify the grammatical components (parts of speech) and grammatical structure (morphology) of a sentence in Spanish?
2. Can you distinguish between simple, compound, and complex sentences? Can you identify each type of sentence? Can you diagram these sentences?
3. What is the difference between a complex clause, a prepositional phrase, an adverb, and a circumstantial complement?
4. What special rules and relationships have you learned about adjectives and nouns as they are used in context in Spanish? In particular, how important is agreement in Spanish and how does it work? Which nouns and adjectives have genderless forms?
5. What editing methods have you learned that are geared to finding agreement errors?
6. Can you identify the various verb tenses used in Spanish (present, preterit, imperfect, present perfect, pluperfect, future, conditional, etc.)?
7. Can you create an adjective from a verb (review the formation of regular and irregular past participles)?
8. When do you use a “gerund” in Spanish versus English? How do you use the gerund in sentences with simultaneous actions?
9. Can you conjugate “haber” in its many verb tenses? When do you use the verb HABER as "hay", "hubo", "habrá", “habría”, or "había"? How is it used with the past participle to form the perfect tenses?
10. Can you identify how the past participle is being used in a sentence (as a noun, as an adjective, or part of a compound verb structure)? What are the irregular forms of the past participle? When the past participle is used with the HABER helping verb, does it function like an adjective? When the past participle is used with the ESTAR/SER helping verbs, does it function like an adjective? How do you form the "present perfect" and the "pluperfect"?
11. When should you use “ser” versus “estar”? How can these verbs change the meaning of an adjective?
12. Can you recall and summarize the chapter readings (“El cuervo y el zorro”, “La Nochebuena de 1836”, and “Un paseo por la tierra de los anamitas: Los cuatro ciegos”)?