

SPANISH CLASS DESCRIPTIONS – 2023 – 2024

Beginning Spanish Level 1

Facilitator 1: Brian McFarland (661-972-9981; mcfarlandbk@aol.com)

Facilitator 2: Renee Kayser (719-661-2308; rckayser@cox.net)

Text: Spanish is Fun, Book 1, **5th** Edition, Chapters 1-8 Chapters 1; Spanish-English Dictionary, 3-ring binder with 4 dividers.

Recommended for: People who are new to Spanish and who want to learn some basic conversation and acquire an elementary understanding of how to use the language.

Class Description: This class is for those who have never studied Spanish before. We'll learn Spanish pronunciation, practice simple conversations to introduce and describe ourselves and others and learn to ask and answer simple questions. We will study Chapter 1 – 8 of our textbook to accomplish the above. There will be opportunities to practice your new language skills in small groups. You'll be amazed at how much you learn in six months and how much laughter is involved in learning a language. Chapters 1 – 4 will be covered Oct-Dec.; Chapters 5 – 8 will be covered Jan-March. If you were in Rosemary's class in 2023, you may join this class in October (to review Chapters 1 – 4) or January (begin with Chapter 5). **Maximum Enrollment: 30**

Beginning Spanish Level 1 (*Begins Friday, January 5*)

Facilitator: Brenda Kruse (515-291-1355, besurk.bk@gmail.com); **Christine Dendy** (250-864-3537; christinedendy@gmail.com)

Text: Spanish is Fun, Book 1, **5th** Edition, Chapters 1 – 4

Recommended for: Those who are new to Spanish and would like to learn basic vocabulary and pronunciation.

Class Description: The class is an introduction to Spanish. The goal is to learn the Spanish alphabet, Spanish pronunciation, and basic vocabulary and grammar, with an emphasis on how to express oneself in the present tense. The class will focus on the skills of listening and speaking. If you took this class last year and were comfortable with the material, you can register for Beginning Spanish Level 1 with Brian McFarland. That class will review what was covered last year from the January Beginning 1 class in the fall and continue with Chapter 5 – 8 in the book starting in January. **Maximum Enrollment: 25**

Beginning Spanish – Level 2

Facilitator: Jim Allen (720-524-9300; jha6100@gmail.com)

Text: Spanish is Fun Bk. 1: **5th** Edition (Chapter 9-16). Also need a Spanish-English Dictionary and a 3-ring binder with 4 dividers.

Recommended for: Members who have completed Beginning Spanish – Level 1 (Brian's or Rosemary's) class or for those who have previously studied Spanish and want to review regular present tense verbs, *ser* and *estar*, descriptive words, weather, and telling time.

Class Description: This is the 2nd part of Spanish is Fun, Book 1. There will be a review of pronunciation and we'll continue with Chapter 9. The assumption is that you're comfortable with Chapters 1-8 of the book. We'll increase our ability to speak about people, places, and things in the present and ask questions about them. Our lessons will focus on speaking, reading, and listening to the Spanish language. **Maximum enrollment: 25**

Beginning Spanish – Level 3

Facilitator: MaryAnn Jasken (majasken@hotmail.com)

Text: Spanish is Fun Bk. 1: 5th Edition (Chapter 13 – 24). Also need a Spanish-English Dictionary and a 3-ring binder with 4 dividers.

Recommended for: Members who have completed Beginning Spanish – Level 1 & 2 classes or for those who have previously studied Spanish and want to review the last part of Book 1 before going on to intermediate level study.

Class Description: This is the 3rd part of Spanish is Fun, Book 1. There will be a review of pronunciation and we'll begin with Chapter 13. The assumption is that you're comfortable with Chapters 1-12 of the book. We'll increase our ability to speak about people, places, and things in the present and ask questions on those topics. This class will also introduce topics of weather, food, clothing, directions, and will introduce you to talking about the past. Much of the classwork is done in small groups to allow a personal and comfortable class environment. Our lessons will focus on speaking, reading, writing, and listening to the Spanish language. **Maximum enrollment: 28**

“Flash” Classes

Facilitators: Brian and Kathy McFarland, and others

Text: No texts are used; teacher-made materials of the various classes will be available to registrants.

Recommended for: Any interested Spanish Club members.

Class Description: The Flash Classes are one-, two-, or three-session classes that vary from Latin American Cooking (recipes and demonstrations); Survival Spanish; Legends, Fables and Religion; Spanish Pronunciation, and a variety of conversation classes (restaurant; gardening; time, money, distance; shopping). Participants can register for just one class or any combination of them all. **Maximum enrollment: 35 per class**

Beginning Conversation

Facilitator: Mary Fry (scwspanishmary@gmail.com)

Materials: Student- and facilitator-generated topics. Your favorite note-taking technology

Recommended for: Students who have studied the major tenses, the exciting grammar, and the practical vocabulary. Students who have completed parts 1 and 2 of Spanish is Fun, Book 1 and are comfortable with the present tense and the vocabulary of parts 1 and 2 in Book 1.

Class Description: A conversational Spanish class that will use activities, readings and structured dialogues of everyday topics as a springboard to generate conversation. The class will incorporate frequently used words to increase verbal skills, will use word relationships to expand vocabulary exponentially, and incorporate grammar in ever so subtle and painless ways. Support and encouragement will be lavishly shared by students and teachers as we support one another in becoming fearless, confident and comfortable speaking Spanish to anyone who will listen! **Maximum Enrollment: 20**

Level 1 Reading

Facilitator – Dolores (Lola) Hudson ((509) 599-3766; terryhudson73@yahoo.com)

Materials: Specific reading selections will be made by teacher and students and will consist of eas-to-read books or stories.

Recommended for: Students who have a basic knowledge of the present tense and are approaching the equivalent of the end of Beginning 3 of our classes.

Class Description: This class is designed to support those taking their first steps into reading outside their textbooks in Spanish. It will help them increase vocabulary, improve reading and pronunciation skills and practice conversation around a common topic. **Maximum Enrollment:** 12.

Intermediate Spanish

Facilitator - Jim Khami (jkahmi28@gmail.com)

Text: Spanish is Fun Bk 2 Edition 3

Recommended for: Students who have completed Spanish is Fun Bk 1 Edition 5 or are familiar with using the present tense to speak and read about people, places and things.

Class Description - This class is Part I of a two-year study of the textbook, *Spanish Is Fun, Book 2, Third Edition*. It will appeal to those who want to improve their ability to comprehend and express themselves in basic Spanish while learning in a relaxed and fun atmosphere. The emphasis will be primarily on developing correct pronunciation, listening, understanding, and speaking while learning new tenses and grammar. Classes will be held at a slow speed in Spanish and English with opportunities to interact with the instructor and fellow students. Your instructor will introduce additional aids beyond what is offered in the textbook to help you master the language and speak correctly. Students are encouraged (but not required) to obtain a copy of Barron's 501 Spanish Verbs (any Edition) for help in the class. **Maximum Enrollment:** 30

Destinos 1 & Destinos 2

Facilitator: Lola Crilly (303-916-0591; micasajl@msn.com)

Asst. Facilitator: Brenda Melcher (309-826-6718; melcherbrenda1@gmail.com)

Materials: Course materials include the video script and handouts.

Recommended for: Anyone who has completed Book 1 and Book 2 of Spanish is Fun or its equivalent who would like a class focused on listening and speaking.

Class Description: *Destinos* uses a video series to teach Spanish comprehension and dialogue. It is structured like a soap opera and follows the challenges of a lawyer, Raquel Rodrigues, as she travels to several Spanish-speaking countries in search of the Castillo family's past. The early episodes incorporate some English, and the Spanish dialogue is relatively slow, but that gradually changes. **Destinos 1** will cover approximately episodes 1 – 26; while **Destinos 2** will review the earlier episodes and complete the remaining of the 52 episodes.

Minimum Enrollment: 8 students; **Maximum Enrollment:** 25 students

Interactive Reading for Conversation and Vocabulary

Facilitator: Dora Gruber (623-374-6649; doramgruber@gmail.com)

Recommended for: Those having completed Intermediate Spanish or for anyone familiar with all the Spanish tenses.

Class Description: This is a reading and conversation class that will increase your vocabulary and improve your comprehension and speaking skills. Some grammar will be reviewed. The book for this class will be an Intermediate Spanish story book. There is no cost when the book is available on Flango. Weekly homework will reinforce what is learned in class but will not overwhelm you. The homework is presented in class and engenders a lively discussion. **Maximum Enrollment:** 8 students

Intermediate Conversation

Facilitator: Minú P Johnson (minuj99@gmail.com)

Text: Flango Readers and Games

Recommended for: Members who have completed Spanish is Fun Bk 2 or those who are ready to speak in the present, past, and future.

Class Description: Use your developing Spanish to talk about what you do now, what you used to do, and what you want to do in the coming years. Practice talking about the differences between those times. We will be using the present, past, future, subjunctive, and conditional tenses. We will play games, read from the Flango on-line stories and Collins' book, Spanish Conversation Hola! All as part of the learning process. Learn new vocabulary to use in these discussions. Note: **This class will be taught in Spanish.** Minú will bring her own experiences of living in México to this exciting and interactive class.

Maximum Enrollment: 12 participants