

Beginning Spanish ~ Thrive International Programs, Inc.
Course Outline for September 2019 – May 2020

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Book: *Avancemos 1-Student Textbook* (2007 or later publishing year)

Free website that accompanies the book:

http://www.classzone.com/cz/books/avancemos_1/book_home.htm?state=IL

Course Goals:

1. to help students gain Spanish skills to
 - engage in short, straightforward conversations on predictable daily life and traveling topics with Spanish speakers in our community
 - use Spanish for basic information gathering or sharing at work or volunteer activities via oral or written communication
 - prepare for future academic studies
2. to help students gain strategies and experience for learning Spanish or another foreign language
3. to help students increase their confidence and interest in using Spanish
4. to help students learn more about cultural diversity, cultures that use Spanish, and empathy for language learners
5. to encourage an atmosphere of care, dignity, and respect towards all students

Course Tips:

1. Notify the instructor ahead of time if you will be absent.
2. Join with us to create a positive and encouraging atmosphere for everyone to learn in.
3. Spend at least 10 minutes per day for at least 4 days per week reviewing material from the last class.
4. Jump in and try. Don't be hesitant or self-conscious. We're all here to learn and improve. Mistakes are part of the process.
5. If you have concerns about the class or your learning, talk with our instructor. Class fees are not refundable after September 21.

Subject to change according to class needs/weather.

Date	Material in the Book for Each Class
9/5	Welcome, assessment, book introduction, learning strategies, and preliminary lesson
9/12	Preliminary lesson
9/19	Preliminary lesson
9/26	Unit 1 Lesson 1: vocabulary
10/3	Unit 1 Lesson 1: grammar point 1

10/10	Unit 1 Lesson 1: grammar point 2
10/17	Unit 1 Lesson 1: Review & Quiz
10/24	Unit 1 Lesson 2: vocabulary
10/31	Unit 1 Lesson 2: grammar point 1
11/7	Unit 1 Lesson 2: grammar point 2
11/14	Unit 1 Lesson 2: Review & Quiz
11/21	Unit 2 Lesson 1: vocabulary
11/28	Thanksgiving Break
12/5	Unit 2 Lesson 1: grammar point 1
12/12	Unit 2 Lesson 1: grammar point 2
12/19	Holiday Activities
12/26	Christmas Break
1/2	New Year's Break
1/9	Unit 2 Lesson 1: Review & Quiz
1/16	Unit 2 Lesson 2: vocabulary
1/23	Unit 2 Lesson 2: grammar point 1
1/30	Unit 2 Lesson 2: grammar point 2
2/6	Unit 2 Lesson 2: Review & Quiz
2/13	Unit 3 Lesson 1: vocabulary
2/20	Unit 3 Lesson 1: grammar point 1
2/27	Unit 3 Lesson 1: grammar point 2
3/5	Unit 3 Lesson 1: Review & Quiz
3/12	Unit 3 Lesson 2: vocabulary
3/19	Unit 3 Lesson 2: grammar point 1
3/26	Unit 3 Lesson 2: grammar point 2
4/2	Unit 3 Lesson 2: Review & Quiz
4/9	Easter Break
4/16	Unit 4 Lesson 1: vocabulary
4/23	Unit 4 Lesson 1: grammar point 1
4/30	Unit 4 Lesson 1: grammar point 2
5/7	Unit 4 Lesson 1 & Review & Quiz
5/14	Review
5/21	Exam

