



## ROMANCE LANGUAGE CENTRE

# Online Language Courses

Jearn to Inderstand.



## Welcome to Romance Language Centre

Do you find yourself going through and wasting money on crash language courses that award you degrees and guarantee that you will climb the proficiency scale in a matter of 6-12 weeks if not less? Are you never quite able to speak, write, understand or read at awarded level independently nor do you feel confident as a foreign language user? Were you taught a number of dry rules and told "because so" when you wanted to understand more? Can you say that you understand how the language you wish to use functions?

Romance Language Centre was established in the UK in 2021 with the goal of offering quality language education based on understanding, in contrast to the global trend of crash courses that promise unrealistic outcomes for the sake of profit.

We are a team of university lecturers and teachers with over a decade of academic experience and with a strong passion for studying and teaching languages. We believe that successful language acquisition, one that will result in lifelong linguistic independence and fluency, takes time, dedication and hard work. It is our expertise to assist you on your journey towards fluency and to help you learn how to learn languages successfully.

Our courses are built on realistic standards for language learning, following the Common European Framework for Reference. We want to ensure that your language learning happens through understanding of linguistic patterns and contexts so you would be capable of independent application of your skills and knowledge at any given time and regardless of the situation.

Our method offers high standard education about linguistic concepts, grammar and culture, all while developing the 4 main skills that lead to proficiency: speaking, reading, listening & writing.

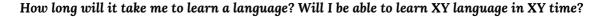
We do not support cramming nor do we give false promises and guarantees of proficiency. We are here to make your journey to mastering your target language easier by equipping you with in-depth linguistic and cultural knowledge necessary to develop and improve language skills at your desired level, however, we firmly believe that the only thing that will eventually lead to mastery is the hard work and time you are willing to invest.

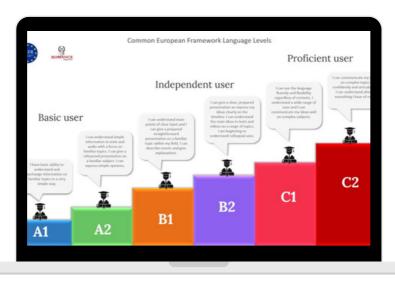
Start your language learning journey with Romance Language Centre and we promise you only what we can control:

HONEST FEEDBACK
HIGH STANDARDS
REALISTIC OUTCOMES
UNDERSTANDING

## **HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE TO...?**

One of the most frequent questions we as teachers get asked by our students is:





It's completely normal to want to know these things beforehand: you want to know how much time, effort, and money this quest of yours will require of you so that you can plan around it. For any honest working professional, however, this is a very ungrateful question to answer because there are many factors that need to be taken into consideration as every learner and every language is different. It's very tempting to make flattering promises in that moment, but the truth is that there is no universal answer. This is why we assess all our students individually, continuously track their work and provide them with their own study plans.

In today's fast-paced world, there's lots of emphasis on instant gratification. The world of language learning is no exception with the rise of tourist level learning, however, all the research out there, and our own decades long experience, suggests that it takes between 400 and 2200 hours of study plus a lot of practice to learn a foreign language at a proficiency (C1-C2) level.

Unfortunately, the promise of speed sells. At Romance Language Centre, speed is not a top priority. We do not want to sell unrealistic promises, but to help you achieve understanding and retention that will eventually lead to independence in use and fluency. Our students understand that, just like so many of life's most worthwhile things, learning a language takes time and effort.

Our courses follow the criteria of the <u>Common</u> <u>European Framework of Reference for Languages</u> (CEFR) that uses internationally predetermined descriptors to specify what a learner should be able to do in their target language at each level regarding the 4 main skills: reading, speaking, listening, and writing. This serves a greater degree of uniformity and transparency in the study of foreign languages.

According to CEFR, the learning is divided into six levels, starting with A1 and ending in C2. Additionally, each CEFR level consists of a different number of courses.

## **HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE TO...?**

<u>CEFR</u> recommends that it takes approximately **200 guided learning hours** for a learner to progress from one level to the next. From our experience, supported by the <u>Cambridge University</u>, average learner will require around 100 guided learning hours to complete A1; 180+ hours to complete A2; 250-400 guided hours to complete B1, and anywhere from 500-600 guided hours to reach B2.

Our current courses include:

128 guided learning hours to complete CEFR level A1 192 guided learning hours to complete CEFR level A2 256 guided learning hours to complete CEFR level B1

Each level increases in difficulty and time necessary to complete it. Beginners should start with our Beginner 1 (A1.1.) course, however, if you have any previous knowledge you should take our compulsory test that will help us place you at the appropriate level.

In order to progress to the next level, you must complete your course successfully which will include a final test.



## TERMS OF ENROLLMENT

#### **ENROLLMENT PROCESS**

Fill out our <u>contact form</u> and we will get back to you within 24 hours to arrange an online **FREE Educational Assessment Meeting**. At the meeting you will get to, among other things, **meet your potential tutor**, discuss your goals, assess your language level, ask any questions you might have for us and set targets. We will also discuss all your learning options and payment.

It is our priority to be transparent and to uphold professional standards as well as to cater to our students' needs in the best way possible, therefore, we want to make sure that we would be the right fit for any potential students.

After the meeting, we will send you a **Learning Offer**, and if you choose to accept it, we will send you a **Learning Agreement** to sign, covering all our business policies, your schedule and our duties. Enrollment is confirmed once the payment has been received.

#### PAYMENT & DISCOUNTS

Upon the signing of the Learning Agreement, we will issue **an invoice for bank transfer**. You can choose to pay in advance for a bulk of lessons or an entire course, or we can arrange payments in monthly installments.

Payments must be made in the arranged extent **before** the start of the first lesson. A discount of **10%** is applied only for a bulk of 1-2-1 lessons or to families, couples and groups of friends.

### CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY

Romance Language Centre reserves the right to cancel any course that does not meet the required number of students at any time **up to 24 hours** before the course begins. In the event of cancellation, we will offer you the option of a refund or credit which you can use for 1-2-1 tuition at our usual price. We can also hold your credit for maximum of 3 months, or up until the number of students has reached the minimum limit.

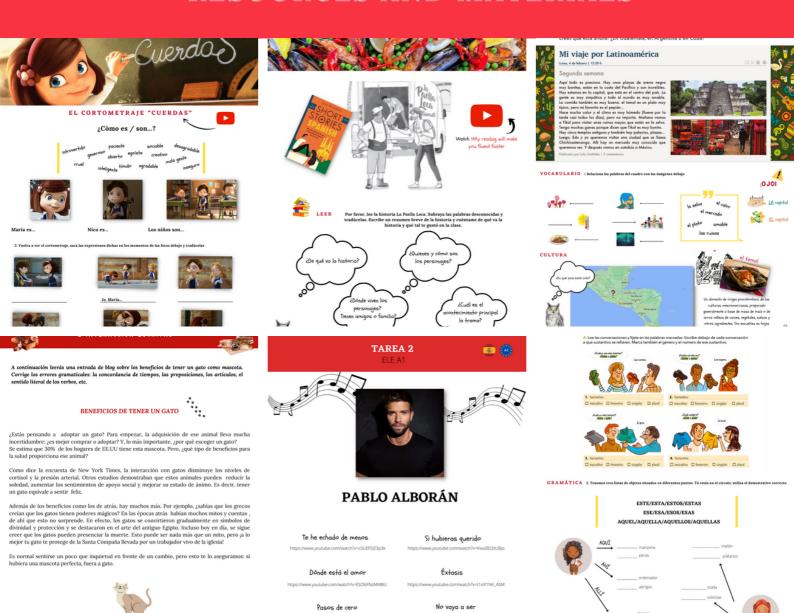
Once the classes have started, the fees **will not be refundable** under any circumstances, however, you can request a refund by email **up to 48 hours** before the start of the first class. You can request a refund via email at contact@romancelanquagecentre.com.

All courses require **a minimum of 5 students** to run. We reserve the right to change the timetable by giving notice in advance. Classes may also be cancelled at short notice in case of unforeseen circumstances.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Regular attendance is both tutor's and student's responsibility, and it is **essential** for your progress. We work hard to create a momentum for our students, and every step is carefully planned out to optimize your learning. In case of a bigger break in between sessions, beware that the learning momentum and the learning process are both usually broken. We ask you to inform your tutor in case you cannot attend. If you do not attend a class, you will not be able to make it up at a different time, however, you can always contact your tutor or classmate to help you catch up.

## RESOURCES AND MATERIALS



We work hard to ensure all our resources are authentic, highly visual and engrossing. You will develop your 4 skills through listening to all genres of music, watching documentaries and movies, translating short stories and books and writing regularly. In addition to materials provided by your tutor, we will instruct you on the textbooks necessary for your course before the course begins.

You will be able to purchase the correct textbooks through our library. A notebook of choice is a must for all lessons. Having access to a printer would be beneficial.



## WHAT OUR STUDENTS SAY...

Both my partner and I are enjoying our online Spanish course with Georgina as she is very patient, always well-prepared and thoughtful. I always feel challenged but not overwhelmed. Georgina's dedication to her students as well as her passion for languages and teaching are both beyond words. Her classes are clear and concise with a touch of entertainment. I love that she always includes "Who wants to know more?" fun facts...

WOW, I am completely and utterly flabbergasted at how much improvement I saw in myself after six hours with Georgina and Anital

Their passion for the language shows, and when coupled with the immense amount of experience they both have, the only regret I have is not finding RLC sooner. Anyone doing DELE preparation or needing additional guidance with Spanish only needs to remember three words: Romance Language Centre!



Sandra, Spanish A1-B1

Georgina was my children's, as well as mine Spanish Professor and I can highly recommend her. I couldn't have asked for a better introduction to learning Spanish than with Georgina. She is a highly educated, driven and organised teacher who develops very inspiring relationships with her



Megan, Spanish C2



Mirela, Spanish A1-A2



Georgina is very patient and dedicated to very trustell vin depth knowledge Tike that she knows a lot more about the entire history of the language and its origins It makes the learning that much more interesting and easier. it's an additional benefit of

Besides possessing a well of knowledge and experience, Georgina is a very skilled, natural educator. She is spontaneous and quick to find simple ways to explain a complex topic or to work with me through any setbacks. I love her technique of "trigger points", it always helps me recall information easily. I feel safe to make mistakes in her class because she treats them as a learning opportunity...



Bruna, Spanish A1-C1

## FREE MONTHLY SPANISH BOOK CLUB



# FREE ACCESS TO A PREMIUM PODCAST





## SPANISH BEGINNER 1

**A1.1.** 

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REQUIREMENTS

STUDENTS

SCHEDULE

**COST & PAYMENT** 

- Zoom, camera & microphone
- Textbook assigned and materials provided
- Access to a printer is highly beneficial
- Level: Complete beginners
- Age: 16 +
- · Location: Anywhere
- twice a week
- 2 x 75 min
- 64 hours over 16 weeks
- £12 per lesson
  - monthly fees
- · payable through invoice

To enrol on our Beginner 1 (A1.1) course, **no previous knowledge of Spanish is required.** The level A1 is aimed towards students with no prior knowledge of the language. The main objective of this level is to communicate in simple way, answer and ask questions about yourself, the place you live and the people in your life. Upon completion of the A1 level, you will form simple statements about your needs, and be able to introduce yourself. Additionally, you will be able to interact in a simple way provided the other person talks slowly and clearly and is prepared to help.

We offer A1.1. Beginner 1 course on twice a week schedule. The detailed schedule is arranged after the enrolment but you will be asked about your preferences during your **FREE Educational Assessment Meeting**.

## BENEFITS OF THE COURSE

- Individual study plan for 4 months with detailed curriculum and access to additional resources and guidance on cultural immersion
- ✓ Targeted learning with understanding
- High quality regular written feedback
- Free access to all Romance Language Centre's paid materials and prerecorded courses
- ✓ Guidance for DELE exams
- Professional guidance on the process of learning and regular advice on how to study on your own

- Quality input and plenty of revision
- Visual, authentic and varied resources based on real-life situations
- ✓ Support outside lesson time
- Professional native tutors who possess in-depth knowledge of their subject
- Equal development of all four skills (writing, speaking, listening, reading)
- Comfortable and personable environment where errors are welcomed as learning opportunities



## SPANISH ELEMENTARY 1

**A2.1**.

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#### REQUIREMENTS

STUDENTS

**SCHEDULE** 

**COST & PAYMENT** 

- Zoom, camera & microphone
- Textbook assigned and materials provided
- · Pass our Al test
- Level: Students with previous knowledge of Spanish at Al level
- Age: 16 +
- Location: Anywhere

- twice a week
- 2 x 75 min
- 64 hours over 16 weeks
- £12 per lesson
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To enter Level A2 you need to be our returning student or to test your A1 level.

At this level you can understand basic sentences and commonly used expressions regarding personal information, employment, shopping, preferences, hobbies, etc. You can communicate in simple and routine tasks requiring simple exchange of information on known subjects. You are capable of describing describe in simple terms aspects of your background & environment.

We offer A2.1. Elementary 1 course on twice a week schedule. The detailed schedule is arranged after the enrolment but you will be asked about your preferences during your **FREE Educational Assessment Meeting** (BOOK HERE).

#### BENEFITS OF THE COURSE

- Individual study plan for 4 months with detailed ✓ curriculum and access to additional resources and guidance on cultural immersion
- Targeted learning with understanding
- High quality regular written feedback
- Free access to all Romance Language Centre's paid materials and prerecorded courses
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## SPANISH ELEMENTARY 1

**B1.1**.

PROGRESA 1











REQUIREMENTS

STUDENTS

SCHEDULE

**COST & PAYMENT** 

- Zoom, camera & microphone
- Textbook assigned and materials provided
- Pass our A2 test
- Level: Students with previous knowledge of Spanish at A2 level
- Age: 16 +
- · Location: Anywhere
- twice a week
- 2 x 75 min
- 64 hours over 16 weeks
- £12 per lesson
- monthly fees
- payable through invoice

To enter Level B1 you need to be a returning student or to <u>test your A2 level</u>. At this level you can understand the main points of clear input on familiar topic commonly encountered in work, school, leisure, etc. You are able to communicate through common situations while travelling to the country of your target language. You can produce simple and well connected text on subjects that are of interest. You can describe events, ambitions and plan as well as give explanations for your opinions.

We offer B1.1. Intermediate 1 course on twice a week schedule. The detailed schedule is arranged after the enrolment but you will be asked about your preferences during your **FREE Educational Assessment Meeting** (<u>BOOK HERE</u>).

#### BENEFITS OF THE COURSE

- Individual study plan for 4 months with detailed curriculum and access to additional resources and guidance on cultural immersion
- ✓ Targeted learning with understanding
- High quality regular written feedback
- Free access to all Romance Language Centre's paid materials and prerecorded courses
- ✓ Guidance for DELE exams
- Professional guidance on the process of learning and regular advice on how to study on your own

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