



## Spanish for Upper Elementary 4<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> grade

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**The class:** A typical day in our class will include practicing communication in Spanish, using short phrases, basic vocabulary and repetition, social use of the language, using Spanish in context while playing games, singing songs, drawing and labeling, culture, presenting and discussing food, dances, customs, holidays and other interesting facts from Spanish speaking countries.

The focus of this class will be exposure to Spanish in a flexible, relaxed, happy and fun way that motivates children to explore Spanish as a second language. For this age group, the most important aspects of language learning are pronunciation and implicit, incidental learning. The vocabulary practiced in class will include words utilized in the textbooks for higher Spanish levels allowing the students to learn vocabulary included in the curriculum for middle school and high school Spanish.

This class is for you if:

You are curious about the Spanish language and Spanish-speaking countries.

You like to sing, draw, play games and create skits.



**Why learn Spanish:** Spanish is a language spoken in 21 countries and approximately 442 million people in the world. The demand for bilingual workers has been increasing in industries like health care, hospitality, education, law enforcement, customer service, social work, finance and communication. Spanish is the most popular non-English language spoken in the USA with roughly 34 million speakers across the country.

**Teaching Philosophy:** My teaching philosophy emphasizes that people have a natural inclination to learn, and that the learning process is more effective when learners participate actively and feel that the subject matter is relevant to their lives. I believe that students should be in control of their own learning, and that a positive, stress-free environment is essential for success.

**The instructor:** I am from Venezuela. I have over fifteen years of experience teaching Spanish to students of all ages, from kindergarten to adults.

**Fees:** \$ 410/year. Students are responsible for buying their workbooks.

