

Congratulations for taking Spanish 4-AP next year! As you know, in order to be able to improve your skills in a foreign language, it is very important to practice the language. There are several activities that you can perform while you are on vacation. To practice and improve your oral skills, I would recommend that you do the following:

- Listen and watch podcasts and TV channels in Spanish such as Univisión, Telemundo, Gala, etc. Try to find interesting programs and avoid soap operas. Also, you can watch movies which are either from Latin America or Spain. It is important that you learn from the culture of the Spanish-speaking world. **Write on your journal some comments about the programs or movies you have watched or seen. Your writing is going to be in Spanish.**
- Talk to native speakers any time you have an opportunity to do so. Before you talk to a native speaker, prepare four to six questions that you would like to ask the person you are interviewing. Remember to be polite and respectful. **Write down on your journal what you learned from the conversation.**
- Read in the target language. You can read magazines such as People en español, Américas, etc. Also, you can read on the Internet newspapers and magazines from the Spanish-speaking world. **Write a brief summary of what you read and the new words (four to six) that you learned.**

It is important that you perform the activities from above, **at least every two weeks**, while you are on vacation. The first week of classes you will bring your journal and show it to the teacher. Enjoy your summer and practice your Spanish!

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