

Teaching Spanish 3 is an exciting turning point for both teachers and learners. At this level, students move beyond basic communication and begin expressing more complex ideas, exploring authentic cultural content, and building true language independence. This page gathers **Spanish 3 lessons, unit plans, activities, CI resources, assessments, and ready-to-use classroom materials** in one place so you can save time, strengthen proficiency, and create meaningful learning experiences for your intermediate learners.

Whether you're building a full-year curriculum, refreshing a unit, or looking for engaging ways to increase comprehensible input, you'll find support across all of the major skill areas: listening, reading, speaking, writing, culture, and grammar in context. These resources are aligned with **ACTFL intermediate-low to intermediate-mid targets**, and they are designed to help students communicate with confidence while exploring the diversity of the Spanish-speaking world.

Your intermediate learners are capable of much more than they realize. With the right input, routines, and communicative tasks, Spanish 3 becomes a year of authentic expression, deeper cultural connections, and meaningful language growth. This pillar gives you everything needed to teach an engaging, proficiency-oriented Spanish 3 course with confidence.

Building Proficiency for World Language Learners: 100+ High-Interest Activities

Discover over 100 dynamic activities to make world language learning interactive and fun. I wrote this book with some of my favorite activities for educators aiming to build proficiency with high-impact strategies.

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Spanish Conversations At the Table

Enhance your classroom or group conversations with this engaging series of conversation prompts! Each themed set of questions encourages students to practice specific verb tenses in Spanish, facilitating meaningful and personalized interactions. Topics include future life, school likes and dislikes, past activities (yesterday, last weekend, last summer), family, friends, experiences done today, general likes and...

- **Spanish 1 - Unit 3: Family & Descriptions (Traditional Daily Schedule – 20 Lessons)**

Here is a set of lesson plans for a beginning Spanish class to learn to talk about family and descriptions. Essential Questions How do I talk about my family and others? How do people describe themselves and others in Spanish-speaking cultures? Can-Do Statements I can describe family members and their relationships. I can describe physical...

- **Language teacher summer activities: three ways to recharge, simplify and grow**

Summer offers a rare chance to step back from the day-to-day and intentionally prepare for the year ahead. Thoughtful language teacher

- summer activities can refill your energy, reduce stress during the school term, and help you become a stronger communicator in the target language. Below are three practical approaches I use every

summer: one focused...

- **[Learn Spanish Preterite: Cloze activity using song lyrics](#)**

Introduction This activity will help you learn Spanish preterite verb forms by filling in the missing past-tense verbs inside a short set of song lines in Spanish. You will practice conjugating verbs into the preterite while keeping the flow and meaning of the lyrics. Use the word bank to complete the blanks, then check your...

- **[Learn Italian: Talk about cities — essential places and how to use them](#)**

If you want to Learn Italian: Talk about cities, focus on the names of common places and simple verbs that tell where you go and why. Below you will find a compact, practical guide to the most useful city vocabulary in Italian, clear example sentences, and quick tips to practice speaking naturally. Essential places in...

- **[Learn Italian for Beginners Inside an](#)**

Italian refrigerator

Learn Italian for Beginners Inside an Italian refrigerator is a playful way to remember that language learning can be found in everyday places. Here you will learn how to speak about the past in Italian using the passato prossimo, a key past tense used to describe recent actions. The explanations are in English, with clear...

- **Telling time in Italian: beyond the basics**

Telling time in Italian: beyond the basics focuses on practical ways to say the time naturally, using real phrases that Italians use every day. This guide explains the grammar behind common expressions, gives clear examples, and offers quick tips to sound confident when telling or asking the time in Italian. Core rules to remember Use...

- **Want to learn Italian? Start speaking fast with simple steps**

If you want to learn Italian, the fastest path is not grinding through grammar books. It is using a few powerful strategies that get your mouth moving, your ears tuned, and your confidence growing. This guide gives clear, practical steps to start speaking Italian quickly, especially useful for travel and beginners. Why speaking first beats...

- **[Learn Italian for Beginners: An Overview of the School System](#)**

Learn Italian for Beginners is a playful way to remember basic school vocabulary while exploring how education works in Italy. This guide explains the school structure, common subjects, exams and higher education terms in simple English with useful Italian words you can start using right away. Quick overview of levels and ages What children learn...

- **[Spanish Grammar | Preterit and Imperfect Tense Verbs: Travel](#)**

I love to travel and talking about trips is one of the best ways to practise Spanish verbs. Travel stories naturally mix completed actions, repeated visits, background information, and ongoing states—perfect for learning the difference between the preterit and the imperfect. Below you'll find clear explanations, useful example sentences in Spanish and English, a short...

- **[Language lessons: how we're different](#)**

Language lessons: how we're different starts with one idea: classroom conditioning from traditional schooling often works against building real

communicative ability. If the goal is to create confident speakers who can use a language outside the classroom, five common school rules need to be flipped. Below are practical explanations and classroom-ready alternatives to help learners...

- **[Spanish Grammar: Future Tense Verbs to Talk About Next Year](#)**

Planning your year in Spanish is a great way to practise the future tense and make the language feel useful and personal. Below you will find clear explanations of the two main ways to express future actions, common irregular verbs, plenty of example sentences (based on typical yearly plans), and practice tasks so you can...

- **[Teaching Prepositions in a Foreign Language: Fun, Practical Activities](#)**

Teaching prepositions in a foreign language can feel like the final frontier for many learners. These small words carry big meaning and often reveal whether someone learned a language instinctively or studied it. When students struggle with phrases like “get married to” versus “get married with” or with location words such as “next to” and...

- **[Language Teaching Activities Inspired by Travel](#)**

Using travel as a springboard transforms routine exercises into high interest, high impact language teaching activities. Whether you teach beginners or intermediate learners, travel themes give students authentic contexts for using past, present and future tenses, practising vocabulary for food, transport and daily life, and engaging with real cultural material. Why travel works as a...

- **[Spanish Grammar | Present tense verbs to talk about my house](#)**

Describing your home is a practical, everyday use of present tense verbs in Spanish. Below you will find clear examples, useful vocabulary, and focused grammar notes — all centred on talking about a house using the present tense and common irregular verbs like tener, ser, and estar. At the end there are targeted practice tasks...

- **[Spanish Grammar | Subjunctive verbs to talk about hopes and wishes](#)**

Hopes, wishes and desires are some of the most natural reasons to use the Spanish subjunctive. When you want something to happen but it is not certain, Spanish speakers often use verbs like esperar, desear, querer or expressions like ojalá followed by the subjunctive. Why the

subjunctive for hopes and wishes? The subjunctive signals uncertainty,...

- **[Spanish Grammar | Present tense to talk about Christmas](#)**

I love Christmas. I am not religious, but I enjoy celebrating Christmas. For me, Christmas is a time of peace, a time to rest, spend time with friends and family, have a hot drink like tea, watch lots of movies and buy nice things for my loved ones. I also love the decorations: the trees,...

- **[Spanish Grammar: Family Vocabulary and Adjectives](#)**

Family descriptions are a perfect way to practise useful vocabulary, adjective agreement, and past-tense verbs. Below you will find clear explanations in English, corrected Spanish examples you can copy, and practical tasks to help you internalise the grammar. Common family vocabulary and sample sentences Start with these basic family nouns and short sentences. Notice how...

Language teaching journal activities: practical ideas for beginners

Using a journal can transform how you learn and teach a language. These language teaching journal activities focus on simple, high-impact routines that build communicative ability. They work especially well for novice learners but can be adapted across levels by changing task length and depth. Why keep a language journal? A journal captures the most...

- **Spanish Grammar | Preterit tense —
talking about your last vacation**

A short story in Spanish (example with preterit) To practise the preterit tense, here is a short personal story written in Spanish using many preterit verbs. Read it, notice the verb forms, and use it as a model for your own practice. En mi último viaje viajé a los Estados Unidos para visitar a unos...

- **Spanish Grammar: The Imperfect Tense**

What the imperfect does and when to use it The imperfect (el imperfecto) describes ongoing, habitual or background actions in the past. Use it when you want to talk about: A short childhood story in Spanish (examples of the imperfect) Cuando era niño, mi vida pasó por muchos cambios. Nací en Maryland, donde mi padre...

- **[Language Learning Activities That Save Your Sanity \(and Your Students' Attention\)](#)**

Language Learning Activities do not have to be elaborate to be effective. When the class is wired and tired, a few well-chosen, low-prep activities can lift energy, preserve learning time and keep progress on track. Here are simple, versatile sanity savers you can drop into almost any lesson—novice through advanced. Why keep a few...

- **[Spanish Grammar | Present tense verbs for talking about hobbies](#)**

I have a lot of interests but not always enough time. Still, when I can, I read, I listen to audiobooks in the car, I go to the theatre, I practise yoga and I walk. I love travelling and learning languages. Below you will find useful present tense verbs and constructions to talk about pastimes...

- **[More sanity savers for teaching](#)**

languages: formal assessments that actually help

More sanity savers for teaching languages are not just classroom tricks and activity lists. Sometimes what brings clarity and motivation is a reliable assessment that tells you exactly where learners are and what to practise next. Formal oral tests and clear can do statements can be powerful tools for teachers and independent learners alike. Formal...

- **Learn Advanced Spanish Conversation: Real-life topics from Mexico City**

This article helps learners who want to learn advanced Spanish conversation by using real-life topics and authentic vocabulary from a speaker in Mexico City. It presents conversational themes, key expressions, and practice activities in third person so learners can practise speaking, listening and cultural understanding with confidence. Everyday life and personal goals The speaker...

- **Spanish Grammar | Present tense: school schedules**

Present tense is the backbone of talking about routines and schedules in Spanish. Whether you are describing your school timetable or explaining what you do on a weekend, the present tense makes your ideas clear, natural and immediate. Below you will find essential verbs,

simple explanations, useful example sentences inspired by everyday life, and practice...

- **More sanity savers for teaching and learning languages: simple self-assessments you can use at home**

More sanity savers for teaching languages are practical ways to check progress without pressure. If you want clear, usable methods to assess your language ability at home, these are the approaches I use and recommend—straightforward, task-focused, and built for real life. Built-in, low-stress assessments: Pimsleur for speaking and recall Pimsleur lessons are short, daily, and...

- **Advanced Spanish: Conversations from Tegucigalpa — real stories for practice**

Short directions: read the Spanish story blocks to absorb vocabulary and natural phrasing, then complete the practice tasks below. Purpose: these concise stories and exercises will help you improve fluency and cultural understanding. Use these materials to practice advanced Spanish conversation skills. Mi vida en Tegucigalpa Vivo en Tegucigalpa, la capital de Honduras, con mi...

- **[Become Fluent in Spanish: Advanced Conversation with Karina from Guatemala](#)**

Directions: Read the short English introduction and purpose, then practise with the Spanish story blocks below. Use the tasks at the end to develop speaking, listening and writing skills. The key goal is to become fluent in Spanish by engaging with real, natural speech and cultural details. Purpose: This article presents authentic Spanish conversation pieces...

- **[More language teaching activities that save your sanity](#)**

If you teach languages, you already know that low-prep, high-impact tasks are gold. Below are practical, adaptable ideas for more language teaching activities you can use with novice, intermediate and advanced learners. Each activity can be scaled for vocabulary, phrases, sentences or connected discourse so students practise meaningful communication while you keep your planning time...

- **[Teaching language sanity savers: low-prep ideas that actually work](#)**

If you teach languages, you need a toolkit of quick, low-prep techniques you can pull out when energy is low, schedules are tight, or students need repetition rather than new input. These teaching language sanity

savers are designed to be flexible across levels, classroom sizes and timeframes. Use them to organise a practice-focused lesson, add...