# Rutland Adult Learning & Skills Service

Course Information 2022-23

**Code:** LSP120T1

**Title:** Spanish Improvers B1 - B2

**Tutor:** Patricia Martin-Barbadillo

**Day:** Thursday

**Time:** 10:30 to 12:30

**Dates:** 8 September to 15 December 2022

**Half-term dates:** 20 and 27 October

**Number of sessions:** 13

**Venue:** Oakham Enterprise Park (OEP)

**Cost:** £143 (concessions £71.50 – see below)

**Concessions:** If you are able to claim state benefits (not Child Tax Credit) or have a gross household income of less than £25,521 per year, you may be entitled to a 50% discount – please enquire.

## Who is it for?

Anyone who can converse with some degree of fluency and understand the main points of texts written at B1 level. Learners should have some years of Spanish studies and knowledge of all the indicative verbs and the present of the subjunctive mood, expressing cause and reason, giving advice, making proposals and talking about feelings, characters, and personalities.

## What will I learn?

You will develop your Spanish speaking, listening, reading and writing skills whilst exploring elements of the Hispanic culture.

Topics covered will include revising the complex expressions with “ser” and “estar”, telling stories and anecdotes using the four past tenses (Indefinido, Pretérito Perfecto, Imperfecto and Pluscuamperfecto), expressing requirements and preferences when looking for a place to go on holiday, describing a place using colloquial expressions, writing a letter of complaint and talking about important decisions in your life.

You will also revise imperfect subjunctive & *por* and *para* & tense correlation in relative clauses along with sentence connectors for adding, toning down, contrasting and refuting arguments, and learn about communications such as gestures and social customs through the exploration of Hispanic culture and Spanish festivals throughout the year.

## Course outcomes:

By the end of this course, you will, or will be able to:

- Know about the Spanish style of life
- Participate in discussions on people’s life choices, share points of view and offer advice
- Study and practice the different tenses
- Write about choices you would make in a variety of hypothetical situations.
- Choose, share and discuss texts and articles on contemporary matters or topics you find interesting (texts written at B1 level)

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## What should I bring?

Notepad, pen or pencil and an A4 folder for handouts.

## What could I do after this?

After successfully completing three terms on this level, you could progress to the next level which is B2 with RALSS or another provider.

## Who delivers it?

My name is Patricia, I am Spanish from Jerez, the land of Sherry, Flamenco and horses, and have been living in England for the last 23 years. I have been teaching languages all my career and have experience in secondary schools, university and adult education. My lessons are interactive and fun, and I am really willing to share all my experience and knowledge of my native language with you.

## Directions and Map:

From the Oakham Bypass, turn onto the Ashwell Road. After about a mile cross the mini-roundabout and immediately prepare to turn right into Gate 2. The car park is straight on.

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| **John St** | 8:45 | to | **OEP** | 8:54 |
| **OEP** | 12:51 | to | **John St** | 12:59 |
| **John St** | 12:45 | to | **OEP** | 12:54 |
| **OEP** | 15:51 | to | **John St** | 15:59 |

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