

**FOUNDATION WRITING
(PAPER 4)**
Overview of the exam paper.

3 Questions and Translation.

Question 1 – 20-30 words in Spanish, describe a photo; present tense only, must include an opinion.

Question 2 – Choose 2a or 2b, 40-50 words in Spanish, four bullet points – each one must be referred to, not necessarily in equal detail, present tense and at least one other from a different time frame.

Question 3 – Choose 3a or 3b, 80-90 words in Spanish, four bullet points – each one must be referred to, not necessarily in equal detail, present tense and at least one other from a different time frame.

Translation – 5 separate statements English to Spanish, 3 different time frames.

Use this link to revise key vocabulary: <https://revisionworld.com/gcse-revision/spanish> Click on the topic links for focused vocabulary lists

Question 1

Describe la foto y da tu opinión sobre el reciclaje.
Escribe aproximadamente 20–30 palabras en español.

(Write a description of the photo and give your opinion about recycling)

! The focus of the opinion will be linked to the theme (of the photo)

PALMS – People – Action (Present tense only) – Location – Mood – something Special



Example answer for Question 1.

Puedo ver una familia en su jardín. Reciclan las botellas de plástico y el papel. El hombre lleva gafas. Supongo que están feliz ya que están sonriendo. Reciclo todo lo possible, es importante.

Key structures

Veo

I see

Puedo ver

I can see

Hay...

There is/there are

Es

He/she is

Tiene

He/she has

Son

They are

Llevan

They wear

Tienen

They have

Me gusta/ No me gusta

I like/I don't like

porque/ya que/dado que

because

Question 2: **CHOOSE** 2a **OR** 2b.

Write 40 – 50 words in Spanish, respond to **EVERY** bullet point, use verbs in the present tense and in a future tense, give a range of opinions.

2 (a) Quieres trabajar en un campamento de verano.

Escribe un email al jefe.

Menciona:

- tus detalles personales
- tus pasatiempos preferidos
- cuándo puedes empezar
- el trabajo que te gustaría hacer en el futuro

Escribe aproximadamente 40–50 palabras **en español**.

Estimado señor:

Tips for question 2

- ❖ Read the bullet points carefully
- ❖ Identify requirements (opinion/preference/detail)
- ❖ Identify the tense (the last bullet point is always in the future)
- ❖ All the bullet points must be covered (some might be more detailed than others)

Key structures

Creo /Pienso que...	I think that
Opino que que...	I think that...
Es (muy) importante	It is (very) important
Prefiero	I prefer
Prefiero hacer...	I prefer to do...
Me gusta	I like
Me gusta jugar al...	I like to play....
En el futuro	In the future
El año que viene	Next year, ...

Question 3: **CHOOSE** 3a **OR** 3b.

Write 80 – 90 words in French, respond to **EVERY** bullet point, use verbs in the present tense, a past tense and in a future tense, give opinions in each time frame.

A visit to England

3 (a) Escribe un email a tu amigo Miguel sobre su visita a Inglaterra.

Debes mencionar los siguientes puntos:

- tus opiniones sobre el sitio donde vives
- algo que hiciste en tu ciudad la semana pasada
- el tiempo que hace en Inglaterra normalmente
- qué vas a hacer durante la visita de Miguel

Escribe aproximadamente 80–90 palabras **en español**.

Tips for question 3a or 3b

- ❖ Read the bullet points carefully
 - ❖ Identify requirements; (opinion/preference/detail)
- ❖ Identify the tense (the second bullet point is always about a past event; the last bullet point is always in the future)
- ❖ All the bullet points must be covered (some might be more detailed than others)

Key structures (examples)

Creo /Pienso que...

Opino que...

Ayer

La semana pasada

Sábado pasado

Fui (+ noun)

Fue (+ adjective)

Visité ...

Es (muy) importante

Prefiero

Prefiero hacer...

Me gusta

Me gusta jugar al...

En el futuro

El año que viene

I think that

I think that...

Yesterday

Last week

Last Saturday

I went ...

It was ...

I visited

It is (very) important

I prefer

I prefer to do...

I like

I like to play....

In the future

Next year, ...

Question 4 Translation

My school

4 Traduce las frases siguientes **al español**.

(a) I like my school.

(2)

(b) There is a modern library.

(2)

(c) I get on well with my teachers, they are very kind.

(2)

(d) Yesterday afternoon I studied English and Science.

(3)

(e) I prefer Spanish because I usually get good marks.

(3)

Tips for Translation

- ❖ Read the **WHOLE** sentence;
- ❖ Underline or highlight what you can do instantly ;
- ❖ Think about word order in French;
- ❖ Translate by phrase - not by word; (where possible)
- ❖ Look at any gaps, can you think logically what needs /could go there?
- ❖ Points will be awarded for partial communication (any accurate words)
- ❖ Look for clues (Time markers) to identify the appropriate tense