



Homeschool Lesson Plan

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Intro

From the Mediterranean Sea to the Pyrenees Mountains, we're adventuring through Spain to learn about this country's fascinating geography, tasty flavors, and rich cultural history. Let's learn the secrets to making traditional paella, how to say our favorite foods in Spanish, and where to see the world's largest food fight. Are you ready? Let's go!





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Math

Beginner:

- Can you count to 10 in [Spanish](#) while singing?
- Tapas [time](#)! See if you can write what time each clock shows.
- Now is the perfect time of year for watermelons. Do you know how many halves are in 1 whole [watermelon](#)?

Intermediate:

- ¿Qué hora es? (What time is it?) Cut out the rectangles and then see if you can match the [times](#) in Spanish. Need a hint? Here's a handy [translation guide](#).
- Practice [counting to 100](#) in Spanish, then play “5 in a Row” with a partner.
- If you invite 3 friends over for tapas and each person wants 2 to 3 different tapas dishes, how many dishes will you prepare? Use the menu on page 10 to plan your party.

Advanced:

- What's farther, a mile or a kilometer? Learn to [convert](#) kilometers to miles, then see if you can convert the distance between Madrid and Barcelona to [miles](#).
- Have you ever heard of the [sheep parade](#)? See if you can solve the big kids question after learning how many miles they walk.
- Every year in Spain, people stack up to make a “[castell](#).” If you're in a 14-layer tower, and there are 3 more layers below you than above you, in which layer are you?



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Science & Geography

Beginner:

- What better way to learn the [regions of Spain](#) than with a catchy tune?
- Let's "sea" what kind of fun creatures live in and near the [Mediterranean Sea](#).
- Ready to go hiking through [Garajonay National Park](#) in Spain?

Intermediate:

- Do you know which islands are part of Spain? Let's take a virtual [tour](#).
- The [Iberian Lynx](#) is the most endangered cat in the world. See what wildlife rescuers in Spain are doing to help save this incredible creature.
- Grab your lab coat and snorkel. We're headed to the [Mediterranean Sea](#) to learn why researchers call it a mini science lab.

Advanced:

- Spain occupies most of the [Iberian Peninsula](#). Check out what makes this area of the world so awesome.
- Pop quiz! Read through these facts about [Spain](#) and then click Start Activities to see how many questions you can answer.
- The [Pyrenees](#) is a mountain range that stretches between France and Spain. Let's take a look from space!





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Languages & Literature

Beginner:

- Have you ever read “The Very Hungry Caterpillar”? Let’s listen to it in [Spanish](#).
- Repeat after me! Learn how to [pronounce](#) these yummy Spanish foods.
- In Spanish, the term for “school” is escuela (lah es-QUAIL-ah). How many times do you hear escuela in this [song](#)?

Intermediate:

- Hola! How do you let someone know if you like or dislike certain foods in [Spanish](#)?
- Got a second? Use the words on the right to learn Spanish words about [time](#).
- Did you know that Spanish spoken in Spain is slightly different from [Spanish](#) in Latin America?

Advanced:

- Do you know what languages people spoke in Spain before [Spanish](#) was even a language?
- [Ustedes vs. Vosotros](#)! Do you know when to use which one?
- This [mysterious language](#) is making a comeback in parts of Spain. Any guesses?

Writing prompt:

- According to legend, Spanish explorer Ponce de Leon traveled from Spain to Florida in search of the Fountain of Youth. Instead, he discovered giant sea turtles. Write about a time when things turned out differently than you expected. Were you happy or disappointed with the results?



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History & Culture

Beginner:

- Get your dancing shoes on! We're headed to Sesame Street to learn [Flamenco](#).
- Pa-pa-pa paella! [Sing](#) along while making a famous dish from Spain.
- Food fight! Check out the world's largest food fight in Spain called [La Tomatina](#).

Intermediate:

- Ever wonder what life is like for kids in [Spain](#)?
- In Valencia, Spain, there is a very specific way to make [paella](#). Let's see if we can identify paella Valenciana.
- Cold soup hits the spot on a hot day in Spain. Let's see what makes [gazpacho and salmorejo](#) so tasty.

Advanced:

- Every August, Spain throws a festival that features an epic tomato food fight! What other [incredible festivals](#) happen around the world?
- Cocoa trees (where chocolate comes from!) grow mostly close to the equator, but do you know what significant change was made to [chocolate](#) when it was brought to Spain in 1528?
- It's OK to put your own spin on a traditional recipe, but it's still fun to know how to make the authentic version. Let's look at [paella](#), for example.



Creative Exercise

Use your imagination and art supplies to make a tourist guide to a city or area in Spain. What should people visit and why?



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Arts & Crafts

Beginner:

- These silly [tomatoes](#) are making funny faces. See if you can follow along to draw them.
- Now grab your [playdough](#) for more tomato shaping fun!
- Go team! Follow the numbers guide to bring [color](#) to this popular sport in Spain.

Intermediate:

- Check out this fun [watercolor trick](#) while practicing Spanish.
- If you think drawing a tomato is easy, try [drawing](#) a tomato slice.
- Make your own [abanico](#) (fan) and learn to dance flamenco with it!

Advanced:

- [Marionettes](#) are string puppets that are a playful part of Spain's history. Try making your own puppet pup and put on a "pawfect" show.
- Brush up on your [Picasso](#) history and then try making your own [two-face art](#).
- Ready for a drawing challenge? See if you can follow along to make the Spain national [football](#) team logo.



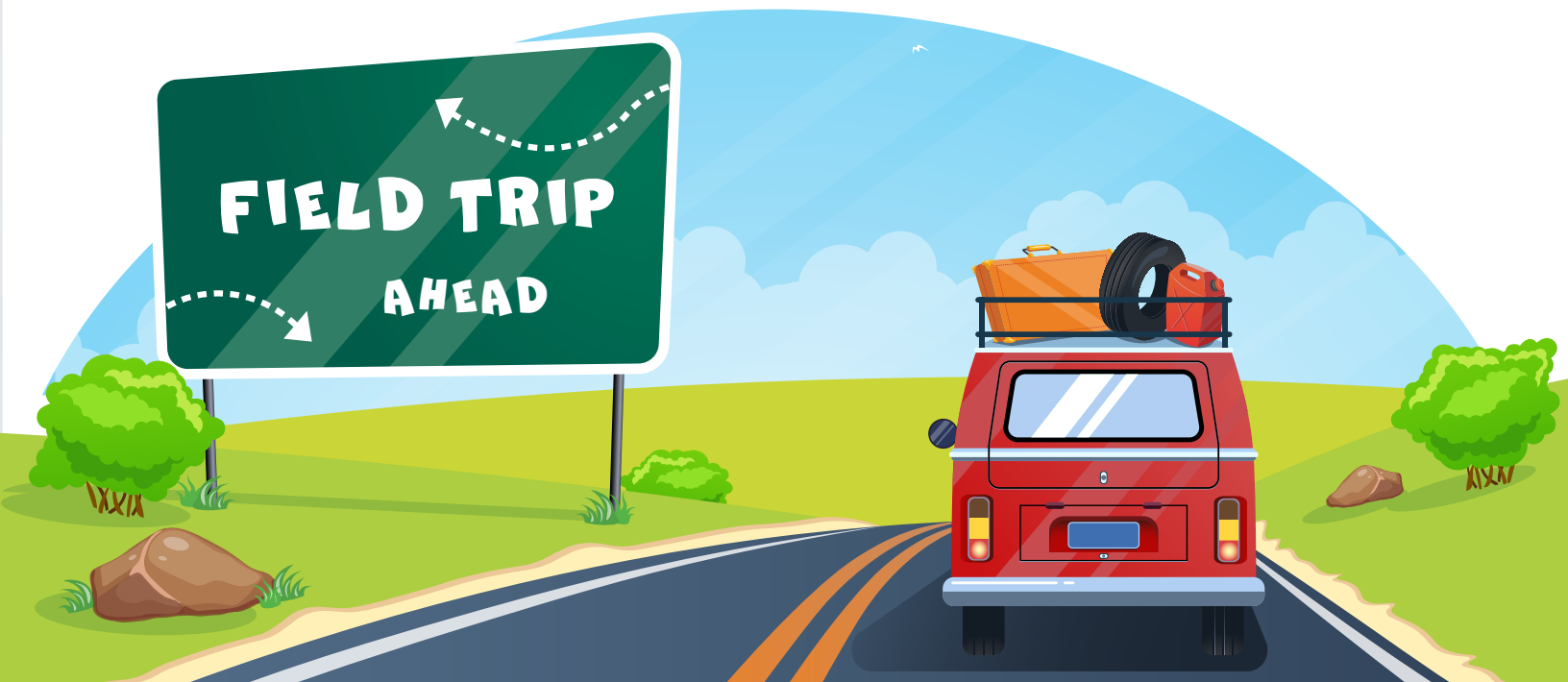


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Field Trips

- Time to get up, stretch, and learn the [flamenco dance](#) of Spain!
- We're off to the [Canary Islands](#) to do hands-on lizard research!
- [Saffron](#) is a special spice sometimes used to make Spanish dishes like paella. Let's go to India and see how this rare flower is grown.



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Use this menu to plan tapas for your friends!
See the math problem on page 4 to get started.

Menu

