



National Spanish Assessment (NSA)

FORMAT AND LENGTH 2024-2025

Each level of the NATIONAL SPANISH ASSESSMENT has 4 sections or modules of tests:

- Vocabulary in context
- Grammar in action
- Reading/Interpretive Communication
- Listening/Interpretive Communication

LEVELS	VOCABULARY IN CONTEXT	GRAMMAR IN ACTION	READING INTERPRETIVE COMMUNICATION	LISTENING INTERPRETIVE COMMUNICATION	TOTAL QUESTIONS AND POINTS
Level 01 Novice low/mid <A1	20 Questions 25 points	20 Questions 25 points	13 questions 25 points	12 questions 25 points	65 total questions 100 points
Level 1 Novice mid/high A1	20 Questions 25 points	20 Questions 25 points	13 questions 25 points	12 questions 25 points	65 total questions 100 points
Level 2 Novice high/Int. Low A1/A2	20 Questions 25 points	20 Questions 25 points	13 questions 25 points	12 questions 25 points	65 total questions 100 points
Level 3 Intermediate low/mid A2/B1	20 Questions 25 points	20 Questions 25 points	13 questions 25 points	12 questions 25 points	65 total questions 100 points
Level 4 Intermediate mid/high B1/B2	20 Questions 25 points	20 Questions 25 points	13 questions 25 points	12 questions 25 points	65 total questions 100 points
Level 5 Intermediate high Advanced low B2	20 Questions 25 points	20 Questions 25 points	13 questions 25 points	12 questions 25 points	65 total questions 100 points
Level 6 Advanced low/mid/high B2/C1	20 Questions 25 points	20 Questions 25 points	13 questions 25 points	12 questions 25 points	65 total questions 100 points

Additional Information

The Vocabulary in Context and the Grammar in Action sections or modules assess content standards through the use of vocabulary and the natural application of grammar in real world contexts and settings. The learner's mastery of language elements (grammar, vocabulary, syntax) directly supports the learner's ability to communicate effectively at different proficiency levels. In this section, the learner will integrate linguistic competence into meaningful communication.

The Reading and the Listening / Interpretive Communication sections or modules evaluate performance standards by assessing the learner's ability to understand the written and spoken language, process information, and infer meaning within a real-life context. Reading comprehension and interpretive communication are essential indicators of language competency and proficiency, and they are the very foundations of speaking and writing.

Description of Activities and Tasks in Each Section

The activities and tasks in the Vocabulary in Context section consist of multiple choice, ordering, or grouping. This section has 20 questions to be completed in 20 minutes.

The activities and tasks in the Grammar in Action section consist of multiple choice, and filling in blanks. This section has 20 questions to be completed in 20 minutes.

The activities and tasks in the Reading/Interpretive Communication section measure interpretive communication through a variety of authentic materials such as texts, infographics, visuals, ads, and articles. This section consists of 14 multiple choice questions to be completed in 20 minutes.

The activities and tasks in the Listening/Interpretive Communication section measure interpretive communication through a variety of authentic audios and videos. This section consists of 12 multiple choice questions. Students should be able to complete this section in 20 minutes.