

A Level Spanish Practice Exam (Sample)

Study Guide



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Introduction

Preparing for a certification exam can feel overwhelming, but with the right tools, it becomes an opportunity to build confidence, sharpen your skills, and move one step closer to your goals. At Examzify, we believe that effective exam preparation isn't just about memorization, it's about understanding the material, identifying knowledge gaps, and building the test-taking strategies that lead to success.

This guide was designed to help you do exactly that.

Whether you're preparing for a licensing exam, professional certification, or entry-level qualification, this book offers structured practice to reinforce key concepts. You'll find a wide range of multiple-choice questions, each followed by clear explanations to help you understand not just the right answer, but why it's correct.

The content in this guide is based on real-world exam objectives and aligned with the types of questions and topics commonly found on official tests. It's ideal for learners who want to:

- Practice answering questions under realistic conditions,
- Improve accuracy and speed,
- Review explanations to strengthen weak areas, and
- Approach the exam with greater confidence.

We recommend using this book not as a stand-alone study tool, but alongside other resources like flashcards, textbooks, or hands-on training. For best results, we recommend working through each question, reflecting on the explanation provided, and revisiting the topics that challenge you most.

Remember: successful test preparation isn't about getting every question right the first time, it's about learning from your mistakes and improving over time. Stay focused, trust the process, and know that every page you turn brings you closer to success.

Let's begin.

How to Use This Guide

This guide is designed to help you study more effectively and approach your exam with confidence. Whether you're reviewing for the first time or doing a final refresh, here's how to get the most out of your Examzify study guide:

1. Start with a Diagnostic Review

Skim through the questions to get a sense of what you know and what you need to focus on. Your goal is to identify knowledge gaps early.

2. Study in Short, Focused Sessions

Break your study time into manageable blocks (e.g. 30 - 45 minutes). Review a handful of questions, reflect on the explanations.

3. Learn from the Explanations

After answering a question, always read the explanation, even if you got it right. It reinforces key points, corrects misunderstandings, and teaches subtle distinctions between similar answers.

4. Track Your Progress

Use bookmarks or notes (if reading digitally) to mark difficult questions. Revisit these regularly and track improvements over time.

5. Simulate the Real Exam

Once you're comfortable, try taking a full set of questions without pausing. Set a timer and simulate test-day conditions to build confidence and time management skills.

6. Repeat and Review

Don't just study once, repetition builds retention. Re-attempt questions after a few days and revisit explanations to reinforce learning. Pair this guide with other Examzify tools like flashcards, and digital practice tests to strengthen your preparation across formats.

There's no single right way to study, but consistent, thoughtful effort always wins. Use this guide flexibly, adapt the tips above to fit your pace and learning style. You've got this!

Questions

1. What does "Unir" mean in English?
 - A. To overcome
 - B. To join/unite
 - C. To link
 - D. To come
2. What is the meaning of the verb "Recordar"?
 - A. To forget
 - B. To remember
 - C. To misplace
 - D. To ignore
3. What does "destruir" translate to in English?
 - A. To complicate
 - B. To highlight
 - C. To damage
 - D. To destroy
4. What is the meaning of the verb "colgar" in Spanish?
 - A. To download
 - B. To upload
 - C. To attach
 - D. To hang
5. Which verb means "to create" in Spanish?
 - A. Desarrollar
 - B. Inventar
 - C. Producir
 - D. Crear
6. What does "convertirse" mean in English?
 - A. To convert
 - B. To transform
 - C. To become
 - D. To adapt

- 7. Which of the following verbs translates to 'to obtain'?**
- A. Ocurred**
 - B. Padecer**
 - C. Obtener**
 - D. Pedir**
- 8. Which of the following is the meaning of 'Impedir'?**
- A. To include**
 - B. To stop/prevent**
 - C. To start/initiate**
 - D. To judge**
- 9. What is the meaning of the verb 'acabar' in English?**
- A. To advise**
 - B. To save**
 - C. To admit**
 - D. To end**
- 10. Which verb translates to "to behave" in Spanish?**
- A. Comprometerse**
 - B. Comportarse**
 - C. Correr**
 - D. Corregir**

Answers

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1. B
2. B
3. D
4. B
5. D
6. C
7. C
8. B
9. D
10. B

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Explanations

1. What does "Unir" mean in English?

- A. To overcome
- B. To join/unite**
- C. To link
- D. To come

The term "Unir" in Spanish translates to "to join" or "to unite" in English. It specifically conveys the action of bringing things together or combining them into a single entity. This is evident in various contexts, such as uniting groups of people, connecting ideas, or merging different elements. While "link" might seem similar, it often implies a connection rather than a complete joining or uniting, which is why "to join/unite" is the most accurate translation. Other choices like "to overcome" and "to come" do not correspond with the meaning of "unir," reinforcing that the correct understanding lies within the notion of uniting or joining things together.

2. What is the meaning of the verb "Recordar"?

- A. To forget
- B. To remember**
- C. To misplace
- D. To ignore

The verb "Recordar" translates to "to remember" in English. It refers to the action of bringing a memory to mind or recalling past experiences or information. This verb is often used in contexts where someone is trying to remember something specific, such as a name, an event, or information learned in the past. In Spanish, "recordar" can also imply a sense of reminding someone of something, as in "recordar a alguien de algo" (to remind someone of something), reinforcing its meaning related to memory rather than forgetting or ignoring. The conjugation of "recordar" changes based on the subject, but its fundamental meaning remains tied to the act of remembering. In contrast, the other options reflect actions that do not align with the meaning of "recordar." Forgetting, misplacing, and ignoring relate to a lack of mental awareness or retention rather than the positive action of recalling or remembering information.

3. What does "destruir" translate to in English?

- A. To complicate
- B. To highlight
- C. To damage
- D. To destroy**

"Destruir" translates to "to destroy" in English. This verb is directly associated with the act of causing significant damage or complete ruin to something, which aligns perfectly with the meaning of "to destroy." In both Spanish and English, this term conveys the idea of obliterating or eliminating something to the point where it no longer exists. The other options do not reflect the core meaning of "destruir." For example, "to complicate" suggests making something more difficult or intricate, while "to highlight" means to emphasize or make something stand out. "To damage" implies causing harm, but it does not capture the totality of "destroy," which involves complete annihilation rather than just harm. Thus, "to destroy" is the most accurate and fitting translation.

4. What is the meaning of the verb "colgar" in Spanish?

- A. To download
- B. To upload**
- C. To attach
- D. To hang

The verb "colgar" in Spanish primarily means "to hang." This verb is commonly used in various contexts, such as hanging clothes on a line, hanging pictures on a wall, or even metaphorically regarding hanging up a phone call. The context in which "colgar" is used is diverse, but its fundamental meaning aligns with the action of suspending something from a point. While "colgar" can be associated with uploading in some specific technological contexts (like uploading files to servers), that interpretation is secondary and not its primary definition. Thus, the most accurate meaning of "colgar" is "to hang."

5. Which verb means "to create" in Spanish?

- A. Desarrollar
- B. Inventar
- C. Producir
- D. Crear**

The verb "crear" directly translates to "to create" in English, making it the most straightforward choice for this question. In Spanish, "crear" is used in a variety of contexts associated with making something new or bringing something into existence, whether it be art, ideas, or tangible objects. This verb encapsulates the essence of creation in both a literal and a figurative sense. The other verbs, while related to concepts of production or invention, do not convey the same meaning as "crear." "Desarrollar" often refers to developing or elaborating on something rather than creating it from scratch. "Inventar" specifically means "to invent," which implies coming up with a new idea or device but doesn't encompass the broader act of creation. "Producir," on the other hand, typically means "to produce," which can involve assembling or manufacturing but does not specifically imply the initial act of creation. Therefore, "crear" is the most accurate choice for the definition "to create."

6. What does "convertirse" mean in English?

- A. To convert
- B. To transform
- C. To become**
- D. To adapt

The verb "convertirse" in Spanish translates to "to become" in English. This is because "convertirse" implies a change in identity or state, indicating a transformation into something else. In many contexts, it encapsulates the idea of a gradual change that leads to a new condition or status. For example, when one says "Se convirtió en doctor," it can be understood as "He became a doctor," highlighting the change in profession and identity. This transformational aspect is central to the meaning of "convertirse." The other translations—while related—do not capture the essence of this specific change of state as effectively as "to become."

7. Which of the following verbs translates to 'to obtain'?

- A. Ocurred
- B. Padecer
- C. Obtener**
- D. Pedir

The correct choice translates to 'to obtain' because the verb "obtener" directly corresponds to the English verb for acquiring or gaining something. This term is commonly used in various contexts, such as obtaining information, resources, or results. It is important for learners to recognize "obtener" as a specific action aimed at achieving possession or access to something. The other verbs listed have different meanings. For example, "ocurrir" means 'to occur' or 'to happen,' which does not relate to the concept of gaining or acquiring. "Padecer" translates to 'to suffer,' indicating an experience rather than an acquisition. Finally, "pedir" means 'to ask for' or 'to request,' which involves making a request rather than obtaining something directly. Thus, "obtener" is the only verb that accurately conveys the sense of gaining or acquiring something in Spanish.

8. Which of the following is the meaning of 'Impedir'?

- A. To include
- B. To stop/prevent**
- C. To start/initiate
- D. To judge

The term 'impedir' translates to 'to stop' or 'to prevent' in English. This verb is used in contexts where one action or condition obstructs or hinders another. For example, you might say, "La lluvia impidió que fuéramos al parque," meaning "The rain prevented us from going to the park." Understanding the nuances of 'impedir' can enhance comprehension in various situations, especially in discussions about obstacles, restrictions, or anything that would prevent progress or action from occurring. Recognizing this meaning is crucial as it is often used in both spoken and written Spanish to communicate the concept of hindering or stopping something from happening.

9. What is the meaning of the verb 'acabar' in English?

- A. To advise
- B. To save
- C. To admit
- D. To end**

The verb 'acabar' translates to "to end" in English, capturing the essence of finishing or concluding something. It is commonly used to indicate the completion of an action or the termination of a process. For instance, one might say "acabar la tarea," meaning "to finish the task." While each of the other choices has its own meaning, they do not align with the primary translation of 'acabar.' 'To advise,' 'to save,' and 'to admit' refer to entirely different actions and concepts. Therefore, understanding 'acabar' as "to end" is crucial for grasping its usage in various contexts in Spanish.

10. Which verb translates to "to behave" in Spanish?

A. Comprometerse

B. Comportarse

C. Correr

D. Corregir

The verb that translates to "to behave" in Spanish is "comportarse." This verb specifically refers to the manner in which a person acts or conducts themselves, making it the correct choice for conveying the concept of behavior. In contrast, the other options focus on different actions: "comprometerse" means "to commit" or "to engage," which pertains to taking on a responsibility or obligation. "Correr" means "to run," describing a physical action of moving quickly on foot. "Corregir," on the other hand, translates to "to correct," indicating an action of making something right or rectifying errors. Each of these verbs pertains to distinct meanings and does not relate to the idea of behavior like "comportarse" does.

Next Steps

Congratulations on reaching the final section of this guide. You've taken a meaningful step toward passing your certification exam and advancing your career.

As you continue preparing, remember that consistent practice, review, and self-reflection are key to success. Make time to revisit difficult topics, simulate exam conditions, and track your progress along the way.

If you need help, have suggestions, or want to share feedback, we'd love to hear from you. Reach out to our team at hello@examzify.com.

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We wish you the very best on your exam journey. You've got this!