Spanish I teaches students to greet people, describe family and friends, talk about hobbies, and communicate about other topics, such as home life, occupations, travel, and medicine. Each lesson presents vocabulary, grammar, and culture in context, followed by explanations and exercises. Vocabulary includes terms to describe school subjects, parts of the body, and people, as well as idiomatic phrases. Instruction in language structure and grammar includes the structures and uses of present-tense verb forms, imperatives, adjective agreement, impersonal constructions, formal and informal address, and reflexive verbs. Students explore words used in different Spanish-speaking regions and learn about the cultures of Spanish-speaking countries and regions within and outside Europe.

The material in this course is presented at a moderate pace.

This course is built to the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) standards.

Length: Two Semesters

Unit 1: On the Road to Learning Spanish

- So You Want to Learn Spanish?
- Say What?
- Things You'd Find on a Calendar
- Describing the People around Us
- On the Road to Learning Spanish Wrap-Up
- Unit Vocabulary

Unit 2: How You Feel and Where You Are

- I Am vs. I Am
- School Rules!
- Free at Last
- Time and Time Again
- How You Feel and Where You Are Wrap-Up
- Unit Vocabulary

Unit 3: Colors, Clothing, Culture, and the Culinary Arts

- Clothes for Everyone
- Money Isn't Everything
- Let's Eat!
- Family Life
- Colors, Clothing, Culture, and the Culinary Arts Wrap-Up
- Unit Vocabulary

Unit 4: Semester 1 Review and Exam

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Unit 5: Working Out, Playing Hard, and Partying Down

- Oh, the Places You'll Go!
- To Your Health
- Things to Know
- Let's Party
- Working Out, Playing Hard, and Partying Down Wrap-Up
- Unit Vocabulary

Unit 6: Decir, Deber, and the Body

- Life at Home
- Everybody Has a Job
- Step inside a Worn-Out Shoe
- Health and Medicine
- Decir, Deber, and the Body Wrap-Up
- Unit Vocabulary

Unit 7: Seeing the World through New Eyes

- Are We There Yet?
- We're Here . . . Now What?
- Gimme, Gimme, Gimme
- Nobody Here But Us Animals
- Seeing the World through New Eyes Wrap-Up
- Unit Vocabulary

Unit 8: Semester 2 Review and Exam

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