

Writing Assignment - Capítulo 1

Your Task:

Imagine that it is your first day at a new school after moving from Spain, and one of your classmates sent you an email in Spanish introducing him/herself. In Spanish, respond to your classmate's email by writing your own. Tell him/her your name, where you are from, your birthday, your telephone number, and your email address. Tell him/her who your best friend is, his/her birthday, and where he/she is from. Be sure to include the date, a greeting and a farewell.

Also tell him/her at least two interesting aspects of Spain's culture (its geography, what celebrations or foods are or are not your favorite, etc.). Use the information you learned about Spain in Chapter 1 or in World Languages and your *palabras culturales del Reino de España*.

Technicalities:

*Required Length: 100 words minimum

*Your "email" must be written using complete sentences in Spanish.

*Your "email" should be typed, double-spaced, in 12 point size of a plain font with 1 inch margins.

*Must include:

- Examples of Chapter 1 vocabulary used & spelled correctly
- Examples of correctly used subject pronouns, conjugations of *ser*, and proper punctuation.
- Date, Greeting & Farewell (i.e., Querido [*Dear*]..., Hasta luego/*Adiós*/etc.)
 - *Sign your letter **without** using your real name or contact info.
- Word count
- Rubric clipped to and turned in with assignment.

Note: You do not need to use any outside sources for this assignment. Write in a way that someone in your class could read it and understand. Any and all plagiarism or use of translators will result in disciplinary action.

***DUE: JUEVES, EL VEINTISIETE DE SEPTIEMBRE**

Writing Assignment: Pen-pal Letter Capítulo 1

Nombre: _____

	4	3	2	1
Content - Variety of vocab & inclusion of task information	Includes all required information 12	Missing 1-2 requirements 10	Missing 3-4 requirements 8	Missing more than 4 requirements 3
Comprehensibility - ability to communicate understandably	Reader can understand all of what the writer is communicating. Well organized, logical. 12	Read can understand most of the message (1 or 2) questions. Fairly well organized. 9	About half of what the writer is saying is understandable. Not very logical. 6	Difficult to understand. Requires much interpretation. Choppy organization. 3
Accuracy - Grammar	All (or all but 1) verbs and sentences structures are correct. 8	Few (2-3) avoidable errors in verb usage, sentence structures 7	Multiple (4-5) avoidable errors in verb usage, sentence structures 5	Many avoidable errors in verb usage, sentence structures 2
Spelling & Punctuation	0-2 avoidable errors 4	3-4 avoidable errors 3	5-6 avoidable errors 2	More than 6 avoidable errors 1
Effort - evidence of going beyond the minimum	All technical requirements met. Reflects good proof-reading. Shows author's personality. 12	Missing 1 requirement. Reflects some proof-reading. Shows author's personality. 10	Missing 2-3 requirements. Not proof-read well. Shows author's personality. 8	Missing 4+ requirements. Not proofread well if at all. Generic facts without enthusiasm. 3