

Enhancing SPANISH LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION: Practical Activities to Strengthen Your Students' Proficiency in SPANISH (Grades 6-12)



A Unique One-Day Live Online Seminar Presented by

Diego Ojeda

National Award-Winning Spanish Teacher,
Author and Presenter

**Developed Specifically for Educators Teaching Spanish
at the Middle School and High School Levels**

Take with you more than 100 activities and games that help build Spanish language proficiency

Original and out-of-the-box techniques for increasing success for all students in your Spanish classes

Engaging strategies that make your students WANT to learn Spanish

Receive a comprehensive digital resource handbook full of strategies to enhance Spanish learning

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April 23

9 AM Eastern, 8 AM Central,
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May 1

9 AM Central, 8 AM Mountain,
7 AM Pacific, 10 AM Eastern

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and take the seminar online at
your convenience (see page 6)

*"Very useful ideas. Very
enthusiastic and sincere!"*

— KERRIE LECH, SPANISH TEACHER

Ten Key Benefits of Attending

"Diego shares many activities and suggestions that are very practical for use in the Spanish classroom."

– BONNIE MCGRUFF,
DEPARTMENT CHAIR/
SPANISH TEACHER



Who Should Attend

Educators Teaching
Spanish at the Middle
School and High School
Levels

1. **Improve Spanish Language Instruction: Strengthen Your Students' Achievement in Spanish**

This seminar is specifically designed for Spanish teachers looking for a variety of resources and teaching ideas to increase the proficiency of all students in their Spanish language classrooms

2. **Use Comprehensible Input Strategies to Increase Your Students' Proficiency in Spanish**

Help all your students gain proficiency in Spanish through Comprehensible Input strategies

3. **Expand Your Students' Acquisition of Spanish Vocabulary**

Take with you creative and fun activities that will help your students practice and retain their Spanish vocabulary

4. **Increase Students' Interest in Spanish Language and Culture**

Explore proven techniques for strengthening your students' motivation for speaking and using Spanish

5. **Learn Time-Efficient Ways to Create Virtual Spanish Lessons**

Boost student engagement and proficiency in Spanish with virtual Spanish lessons ... Here's how

6. **Help Your Students Speak Spanish**

Ways to speak so your students can understand and interact in Spanish

7. **Create a Classroom Community That Motivates Use of the Target Language**

Learn techniques on how to create community in the classroom to maximize students' potential while learning Spanish

8. **Add Energy and Rhythm to Your Spanish Language Classes**

Receive practical tips for creating a classroom full of movement and abundant on-task target language usage

9. **Learn About FVR and Comprehensible Readings**

Adopt new approaches to reading in the classroom and get a variety of titles and authors for your FVR library

10. **Receive a Comprehensive Spanish Language Teaching Digital Resource Handbook**

Your digital resource handbook has been specifically designed for this seminar ... It contains a variety of Spanish language teaching strategies and activities as well as extensive resource lists of Spanish language teaching materials

Outstanding Strategies You Can Use Immediately

What You Will Learn ...

- **Comprehensible input techniques** to increase students' proficiency in the Spanish language
- **Proven strategies** to increase students' use of the Spanish language
- **Creative teaching activities** you can use right away without extensive preparation
- **Proven ideas** to create a Spanish class environment in which every student feels comfortable
- **How to use the newest, proven web tools** to enhance your Spanish class instruction
- **Innovative, interactive activities** that allow students to use Spanish in a meaningful way
- **Tips to effectively use music** as a teaching aid
- Apply a learning-styles approach to **more effectively accommodate diverse student abilities** during skits and plays
- **How to motivate your students** to converse more in Spanish staying in the target language through comprehensible input
- Highly effective learning strategies based on brain research to **help your students realize their potential in language learning activities**
- **Interactive strategies** to build literacy in Spanish through shared writing and reading
- **Proven ways to make homework assignments more relevant** and connected with your classroom activities



"I am coming away with so many new ideas for my classroom to motivate and engage my students. I will use the activities tomorrow!"

– SUSAN COLLAR, SPANISH TEACHER

Practical Ideas and Strategies

This seminar is designed specifically to provide Spanish teachers with dozens of easy-to-implement activities and strategies to enhance students' success communicating in Spanish. Award-winning Spanish teacher **DIEGO OJEDA** has created an idea-packed seminar that will show you how your students can discover and experience the Spanish language in an active and energetic way. Based on an effective use of the Standards for Foreign Language Learning, this seminar incorporates a variety of proven approaches to help each student achieve greater success in learning Spanish. More than 100 engaging language activities will be presented to help strengthen your Spanish language instruction.

You'll leave this seminar with a valuable collection of innovative teaching strategies in addition to a comprehensive Spanish language teaching digital resource handbook to help you begin to immediately implement these ideas in your Spanish classes.



A Message From Seminar Leader, Diego Ojeda



Uniquely Qualified Instructor

DIEGO OJEDA is a passionate Spanish teacher, as well as a seasoned and recognized national world language presenter. Diego has been awarded for his outstanding and non-traditional teaching style that he brings to the class. Diego is co-founder of the well-known international world language professional learning network LangChat and the popular personal learning network CharlaEle1 for Spanish teachers.

Diego brings a refreshing, cultural awareness and innovative perspective to the teaching of the Spanish language. Diego's instructional strategies can be easily adapted to any Spanish language proficiency level. Diego is the author of *Enhancing SPANISH LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION: Practical Activities to Strengthen Your Students' Proficiency in Spanish (Grades 6-12)*, the digital resource handbook each participant will receive at the seminar.

Dear Colleague:

Technology, media and more opportunities to travel abroad have made a great impact on the way our students see and perceive their world. It is not just about learning a few words in Spanish in order to survive a week of vacationing in Acapulco or Cancun. Today we see the need to communicate in languages other than English. The case of the Spanish language in the United States is unique. As Spanish teachers, we have the responsibility not only to teach the language, but also to take into account the cultural, social and emotional content. These days the demand for using Spanish is present in many of our students' very own neighborhoods.

This new dynamic calls for a Spanish teacher who can incorporate cutting-edge technology and stay current with new and innovative world language instruction, someone ready to face the challenge of constant change, who is willing to organize his/her classes in accordance with the students' real world.

This seminar translates recent language learning initiatives such as proficiency-based instruction, and the use of Comprehensible Input techniques supported by practical applications that will help you create an enthusiastic, friendly, and culturally aware environment for your Spanish students.

I will share with you the best resources I have used in my own classroom, and we will work with a variety of activities that will help your students communicate in Spanish.

More than 30 years of experience teaching Spanish language in my native Colombia and in the United States at middle, high school and college levels has given me the opportunity to explore, apply and choose the best approaches for every and any context. I have found that the more "tried-and-true" secrets we share with our colleagues, the better our students will learn, and, ultimately, the better we will teach. I invite you to attend my seminar. I'm sure you'll find it worthwhile and inspiring.

Sincerely,

Diego Ojeda

P.S. Again, the focus in this seminar is on **practical teaching ideas** specifically designed and adapted for the Spanish language classroom.

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What Your Colleagues Say About Diego Ojeda

"Fabulous seminar. It is full of great information and ideas that will work in real classrooms."

– Kathryn Gaugler, Spanish Teacher

"Las actividades son muy prácticas y sobre todo fáciles y muy entretenidas, creo que se las puede usar en todos los niveles de aprendizaje variando un poco el contenido."

– Maria Isabel Tobar Ortiz, Spanish Teacher

"Diego is a motivating presenter. It's obvious that he enjoys his work and wants to spread the joy of teaching to others."

– Mindy Blackwell, Spanish Teacher

"Excellent ideas and examples! I have ideas and activities I can use mañana!"

– Kimberly Fegelson, Dept. Chair/Spanish Teacher



"Great seminar! I enjoyed this because there are many practical ideas that can be used in the classroom – they are easy and not impossible."

– Jessica Murillo, Secondary Teacher

"A very information-filled seminar with activities that for once are relevant to what we do as teachers."

– Sandra O'Gorman, Spanish Teacher

"Very practical suggestions that will be easy to implement right away — great ideas for motivating students to use Spanish in class."

– Chrys Dermody, Spanish Teacher

"Diego's enthusiasm is contagious. I have read other books on using activities, but seeing them in action makes it become more real and user friendly."

– Gloria Morris-Cummins, Spanish Teacher

"Diego is a well-spoken, well-respected educator and presenter."

– Amy Fogerty, Teacher

Special Benefits of Attending



"Practical, fun games and activities I can implement right away in my classroom."

– TOM DALY, SPANISH TEACHER

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- Strategies and techniques for enhancing your program
- Reproducible templates and worksheets

Share Ideas with Other Educators

This seminar provides a wonderful opportunity for participants to share ideas with other educators interested in improving their Spanish language instruction and results.

Consultation Available

Diego Ojeda will be available for consultation regarding your questions and the unique needs of your own program.

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Enhancing SPANISH LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION: Strengthen Student Proficiency (Grades 6-12)

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- ☐ **2. May 1, 2026** (Start time: 9 AM Central)
- or—
- ☐ **3. I'd like to order the recorded version of this seminar**

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