

Nuestra historia 1: AP® Themes + Sub-Themes and Essential Questions by Unit

Unit	AP® Theme + Sub-Theme	Essential Questions
1	Families and Communities: School	Why should you study another language? What do you need in order to be successful in school? What are some differences between your school and schools in Spanish-speaking countries?
2	Beauty and Aesthetics: Definitions of Beauty	What sources influence fashion and definitions of beauty? How do ideals of beauty affect daily life? What is considered beautiful in different cultures?
3	Contemporary Life: Entertainment and Fun	How do people in different cultures spend their leisure time? What are some differences between your daily life and the daily life of people in Spanish-speaking countries? What does “leisure time” mean?
4	Science and Technology: Technology and Self	How does technology connect people? Why do we use technology? How does technology influence cultural identity?
5	World Challenges: Population and Demographics	What are the benefits of travel? Why do people move to new places? How does where you are from influence your identity? How are challenges in Spanish-speaking countries different from challenges where you live?
6	Personal and Public Identities: National Identity and Ethnic Identity	How are the cultural practices in Spanish-speaking countries different from your own cultural practices? What elements contribute to cultural identity? How do language and culture influence identity? How are the cultural practices in Spanish-speaking countries similar to your own cultural practices?

AP® Themes and Subthemes Covered in Each Unit by Level

Unit	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
1	Families and Communities: School	Contemporary Life: Travel and Pastimes	Beauty and Aesthetics: Visual Arts	Personal and Public Identities: Personal Beliefs
2	Beauty and Aesthetics: Definitions of Beauty	Families and Communities: Family Structures	Family and Community: Human Geography	Families and Communities: Global Citizenship
3	Contemporary Life: Entertainment and Fun	Beauty and Aesthetics: Fashion and Design	Science and Technology: Extreme Weather Conditions	Contemporary Life: Way of Life
4	Science and Technology: Technology and Self	Science and Technology: Healthcare and Medicine	World Challenges: Food and Economy	World Challenges: Social Consciousness
5	World Challenges: Population and Demographics	Personal and Public Identities: Heroes and Historical Figures	Contemporary Life: Education and Professional Careers	Science and Technology: Discoveries and Inventions
6	Personal and Public Identities: National Identity and Ethnic Identity	World Challenges: Social Well- Being	Personal and Public Identities: Alienation and Assimilation	Beauty and Aesthetics: Language and Literature