



Spanish 2 Virtual Learning

**Spanish 2 -
Semana Santa en Sevilla**

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Objective/Learning Target:

1. Students will use previous knowledge they know about Semana Santa.
1. Students will demonstrate their understanding of how Semana Santa is celebrated in Seville.
2. Students will continue to learn the different celebrations of Semana Santa in different Spanish speaking countries.

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El Paseo

The enormous pasos (floats that make up the procession) make a pilgrimage through the city. Leaving their church, these statues, some of which are over 300 years old, wander through the narrow streets to the Cathedral. Having passed through the cathedral itself, they then turn for home. This results in certain processions lasting upwards of 12 hours. And what's even more incredible, is that the floats are actually carried by devoted locals!



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Costaleros

Costaleros, so named because of the white protective garment (el costal) they wear on their heads, take the weight of the float and carry it through the city. These locals are members of the church's brotherhood.

There are between 20 to 40 costaleros per float and they practice all year round, even in the extreme heat of August.

Understandable given the floats can weigh up to a ton! While some processions are very long, costaleros will switch out every hour or two to take a bit of a break.

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Nazarenos

Other participants in the processions include the nazarenos, wearing perhaps the most controversial dress of the celebration. The robe worn by these penitents doesn't draw much attention. The same can not be said for the conical hood (capirote) which bears a striking resemblance to the dress worn by the K.K.K. Rest assured, no connection exists between the two traditions. The unique dress was born from a desire to repent sins without revealing your identity, as the hood leaves only the wearer's eyes on display. Given their mysterious look, many nazarenos will carry bags of sweets and give them to kids as they go by so they know they're friendly!





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Watch this YouTube video with this link to answer the following questions about Semana Santa en Seville.

Link to video:

<https://youtu.be/EaVCOK6ujuo>



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Answer the following questions based off of what you heard and saw in the video of Semana Santa en Seville.

1. What is Semana Santa?
2. What and who is involved in the parade?
3. What are 'los pasos'?
4. Who carries the pasos?



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Answer the following questions based off of what you heard and saw in the video of Semana Santa en Seville.

1. Who are the nazarenos?
2. What is a costalero and what do they do?
3. How do the costaleros carry the weight of the pasos?