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GCSE Spanish: revision notes

Celebrity culture

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Celebrities

- un **famoso** / una famosa (a celebrity), una estrella (a star; feminine even for men), **famoso**/a (famous), conocido/a (well known), la fama (fame).
- un / una cantante (singer), un actor / una actriz, un / una deportista (sportsperson), un / una influencer, un futbolista.
- los fans, **los seguidores** (followers), **las redes sociales** (social media), **la telerrealidad** (reality TV), los paparazzi, la vida privada (private life).

Role models

- **un modelo a seguir** (a role model): mi modelo a seguir es... porque...
- Lo / La admiro porque... (I admire him / her because...) trabaja mucho (works hard), ayuda a los demás (helps others), apoya **una organización benéfica** (supports a charity), es generoso/a.
- dar buen / mal ejemplo (to set a good / bad example), tener una buena / mala influencia en los jóvenes (to have a good / bad influence on young people).
- Use the personal a before people: admiro a mi madre, sigo a una cantante (I follow a singer).

For and against fame

- For: ganan mucho dinero (they earn a lot of money), viajan por todo el mundo (they travel all over the world), pueden usar su fama para ayudar a otros (they can use their fame to help others).
- Against: no tienen vida privada (they have no private life), los paparazzi los siguen a todas partes (the paparazzi follow them everywhere), reciben mensajes crueles en internet (they get cruel messages online), hay mucha presión.
- (No) me gustaría ser **famoso**/a porque... (I would (not) like to be famous because...).

Grammar to use

- Object pronouns go before the verb: lo admiro (I admire him), la sigo (I follow her), los veo (I see them).
- Que joins ideas: una cantante que escribe sus canciones (a singer who writes her songs).
- Comparisons: más **famoso** que (more famous than), menos rico que (less rich than), tan... como (as... as).
- Si + imperfect subjunctive, then conditional (Higher): si fuera **famoso**, ayudaría a los demás (if I were famous, I would help others).

Key terms

el famoso / la famosa	celebrity
la estrella	star (celebrity)
famoso	famous
un modelo a seguir	a role model
admirar	to admire
el / la influencer	influencer
los seguidores	followers
la telerrealidad	reality TV
la vida privada	private life
las redes sociales	social media
una organización benéfica	a charity
la presión	pressure
dar mal ejemplo	to set a bad example

Quick questions

Cover the answers and test yourself: remembering is what makes it stick.

1. What does "famoso" mean?
2. What does "un modelo a seguir" mean?
3. What does "La admiro porque ayuda a los demás" mean?
4. What does "la vida privada" mean?
5. What does "la telerrealidad" mean?
6. What are "los seguidores" on social media?
7. What does "No tienen vida privada" mean?
8. How do you say "I follow her on social media" in Spanish?

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Answers

1. famous
2. a role model
3. I admire her because she helps others
4. private life
5. reality TV
6. followers
7. They have no private life
8. La sigo en las redes sociales

What to do next

Practise 13 questions on this topic

Try 4 exam questions, with mark schemes

Read the lesson, one step at a time

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