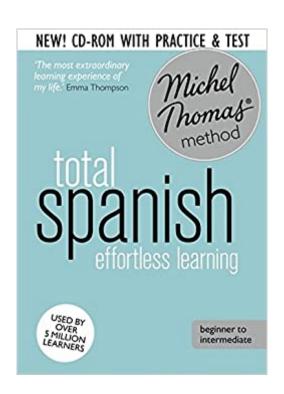


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Total Spanish Foundation Course: Learn Spanish With The Michel Thomas Method





Synopsis

Looking for a convenient language course that fits your lifestyle and gets you speaking a new language in a matter of hours? The acclaimed audio-led Michel Thomas Method Total Spanish course, endorsed by celebrities, executives and learners worldwide, will deliver the results you want. How does it work? During the course, you will join Michel and two students in a live lesson, learning from both their successes and their mistakes to keep you motivated and involved throughout the course. You, as the learner, become the third student and participate actively in the class. Within the very first hour you will be able to construct simple phrases by listening and thinking out answers for yourself without the pressure of writing or memorizing. You learn through your own language, so there's no stress, and no anxiety. You'll stick with it because you'll love it. Why is the method so successful? The Michel Thomas Method was perfected over 50 years by celebrated psychologist and linguist Michel Thomas. This unique method works with your brain and draws on the principles of instructional psychology. Knowledge is structured and organised so that you assimilate the language easily and don't forget it. The method breaks down the language into building blocks that are introduced sequentially in such a way that you create your response and move on to ever-more-complex sentences. There is no need to stop for homework, additional exercises or vocabulary memorization, so you progress rapidly. What's in the Course? Total Spanish with the Michel Thomas Method includes up to 8 hours of audio on CD and a practice CD-ROM with interactive activities and assessment which should be done after the course and as a means of review. *Note that the content is the same as the previously entitled Foundation course, but with the addition of a CD-ROM. Learn anywhere Don't be tied to chunky books or your computer, Michel Thomas Method audio courses let you learn whenever you want: at home, in your car, or on the move with your MP3 player. Where do I go next? Perfect Spanish follows on from the Total course with 11 hours of audio and a practice CD-ROM.

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I used this almost exclusively in my car so I couldn't always concentrate fully and had to go through each CD 3-4 times. Nevertheless, it was relatively effortless and I completed the set in about six weeks. It will give you a basic grasp of key concepts, verb conjugations (present, imperative, future and past) and other useful basics. The focus is on the basic framework of the language so lessons use the same set of verbs over and over. This makes it easier to grasp the concepts, but leaves you with a limited vocabulary. Yes, some aspects are a bit tiresome including some very long explanations of things and some overly exaggerated pronunciation, but there is no perfect method. I actually found Michel's thick Polish accent endearing. Priority for me was ease of use while driving and this fits that bill pretty well. I've already ordered the next set (Perfect Spanish).BTW, there are 7 CD's in the set, so they'll keep you busy for while.

I used this with other programs that are more detailed like Assimil and Teach Yourself. However, even though some may complain about the Accent of Michel and the errors of the English male student, the program does help you form ideas in Spanish and give you valuable "bridges" to help you with the learning. For example, the AR track and the non-AR track, the "would" tense(walking into the WOODS and finding a female river...-rÃ-a). It took me a couple of tries to get thru it but it did help me. I would do it again if I were starting German, French or Italian. If I were starting Spanish from Scratch, I would do these courses in this order;1) Michel Thomas Total Spanish plus Perfect Spanish/ with a Practice Makes Perfect Grammar book2) Assimil with Ease3) FSI Basic course (online for free)4) Native materials (books, movies, TV)EDIT: Madrigal's Magic Key for Spanish is the best source I have used yet. All the best in your studies,

Good way to learn speaking the language.

Michel Thomas is the best.

I've just started. The accent of Michel is not distracting to me in the least. The repetition to the one student regarding pronunciation is a bit tedious but I probably need it too. Anyway, it seems like a good way to learn while commuting! Interestingly, it has made be remember more of the language I took in school which, sadly, was not Spanish;)

allowed me to get a quick grasp of the language and to be able to pick up extra vocabulary from other sources very easily and to understand people as where before I had a hard time. it naturally

flows and I can even create my own sentences just from knowing certain rules and structure that where taught to me in this course. AWESOME. still growing. looking forward to starting perfect Spanish and moving on to another language by the beginning of next year.

A good simple way of learning a new language. Learnt French this way as well, definitely worth buying the beginner/ intermediate pack rather than just beginners stuff, if you can afford the extra cost,

The Total Spanish program has been an effective part of my Spanish learning. I found the way that Michel explains things to be easy to understand, and he teaches you without using a lot of grammatical terms. I would recommend completing the Synergy Spanish course before you start using Total Spanish.

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