



Investigación: Famosos de España

Go to www.euroclub-schools.org. Enter the Spanish Zone. Click on Famous Spanish People.
By clicking on the names and reading the information, can you answer the following questions?

1. Catherine of Aragon was a Spanish princess.

She was married twice. Name her two husbands.

What was her personal symbol?

Write her Spanish name and Spanish title.

2. Lazarillo de Tormes is a famous character from Spanish literature.

How many masters did he have?

His surname *Tormes* is the name of a

When was the book first published?

In Spanish literature, a boy like Lazarillo is known as *un*

3. Antoni Gaudí was an architect.

Name the famous basilica in Barcelona that he designed. Write the name in both Spanish and English.

Name another famous building that he designed.

Apart from buildings, what else did he design?

How many spires are in the design of the basilica?

In which year is it planned to complete the basilica and why has this year been chosen?

4. Pablo Picasso was an artist.

When and where was he born?

What is the English version of his name *Pablo*?

In which country did he spend most of his life?

Name two of the 'periods' of his paintings.

According to his mother, what was Pablo's first spoken word? Write it in both English and Spanish.

Pablo Picasso had a very long name. Can you write it?

5. Miguel de Cervantes was a writer.

In which town and in which year was he born?

Who else (in the list of famous Spanish people) was born in the same town?

Cervantes died on the same date as which English writer?

What is the name of his most famous book?

Write a proverb that was created by Cervantes. Write it in both English and Spanish.

6. Federico García Lorca was a poet and dramatist.

In which year was he born?

Name one of his plays.

He disappeared mysteriously during which war?

He wrote a short poem called *Tan, Tan*. What does the title mean?

7. Diego Velázquez was an artist.

In which city and in which year was he born?

He was the official painter for the family of which Spanish king?

Name a famous royal portrait where the artist has included himself in the painting.

What is the Spanish word used to describe depictions of taverns and kitchen scenes?

Which painting by Velázquez portrays spinners of thread?

8. El Cid was a military leader and is considered a hero of Spain.

Where and when was he born?

What was his full name?

El Cid is a nickname. What does it mean?

What was his other nickname? Include the meaning in English.

Name his horse and the meaning.

El Gran Desafío - The Big Challenge

In Spain, it is the tradition to have two surnames - one from each parent. Name any famous people in the list who are usually identified by their mother's surname.