**Assignment #1. Listening practice -** [www.nationalspanishexam.org/](http://www.nationalspanishexam.org/) activities, practice

estimated time to complete: 20 minutes

* Click on the tab “exam preparation” then select “online practice exercises” from the pull down menu
* Go to the listening comprehension box and complete 2 listening exercises from Level 2 & 2 listening exercises from Level 3. The questions are in English, but the audio clip is in Spanish. You should do **FOUR** total exercises.
* Write the correct answer for each one.

**Assignment #2. Grammar** – Review the present, preterite, and imperfect tenses.

estimated time to complete: 15 minutes

* Go to: <http://www.studyspanish.com/practice/pret1.htm> and scroll down until you get to PART C. Select the correct verb from the pull-down menu.
* Number 11-20 and write the correct conjugation.

**Assignment #3. Reading & Listening –** Read the short story by Gabriel García Márquez, “Algo muy grave va a suceder en este pueblo” at: <http://www.ciudadseva.com/textos/cuentos/esp/ggm/algo_muy_grave_va_a_suceder.htm>

Chicos, do not use an online translator or an English summary. You need to go through the process of reading in Spanish in order to benefit from this activity. Don’t shortchange yourself or your learning.

NOTE: tirar una carambola = to break (when playing a game of pool)

estimated time to complete: 1 - 2 hours

Then, listen to the story out loud: <http://vimeo.com/27649460>

Write the 7 questions and answer them. Your responses should be in your own words. Do not use an electronic translator and do not share answers with other students.

1. ¿Cuántos hijos tiene la señora vieja del cuento?

2. ¿Dónde viven?

3. ¿Cuál es el presentimiento de la señora?

4. ¿A quién se lo cuenta?

5. ¿Qué pasa en la carnicería?

6. Al ver el calor que hace y los pájaros que bajan, ¿qué hacen los habitantes del pueblo?

7. ¿Quién es responsable por el pánico? ¿Dámaso, la madre, o el carnicero? ¿Por qué?

**4. Vocabulary –** Memorize the list of verbs. Spelling and correct accent placement count! You can find them at this link: <https://quizlet.com/73381750/sp4-common-verb-list-flash-cards/> under the name “SP4 Common Verb List.”

This list will not be ready/finalized until June 18th, so **make sure you check the list on or after June 18th**!

A good way to learn the words is by going to the:

* “speller” tab – you’ll hear the word in Spanish and see the English definition. Then type the word you hear.
* “learn” tab – you’ll see the English word, then type the word in Spanish.

recommended practice time: 1-2 hours, in 10-minute intervals

You will have a vocabulary test on these words the first week of school.

¡Nos vemos el primer día de clases!

¡Nosotros <3 el español!

~Señora Gaudet