# **CULTURAL RESEARCH**

You will develop research and cultural analysis skills while getting an understanding of the topics that will be covered in Year 12.

- CHOOSE ONE TOPIC
- DO SOME RESEARCH AND PREPARE A FACT SHEET (ENGLISH)
- PRESENT IT IN CLASS

#### **TOPICS**

- 1. La familia en España (The concept of family in Spain)
- 2. La religión (The influence of the Catholic religion)
- 3. **Ídolos del mundo hispano** (Spanish-speaking idols)
- 4. Las regiones españolas (Spanish regional identity)

### TOPIC 1- LA FAMILIA EN ESPAÑA

Do some research and prepare a fact sheet (in English) about the role of family in Spain. You could consider the following:

- How was the concept of family influenced by religion?
- How has it changed over the years?
- What steps has the government taken to ensure that LGBT+ families' rights are respected?
- What are the next steps to make sure everybody feels happy, safe and respected?

# **TOPIC 2- LA RELIGIÓN**

Do some research and prepare a fact sheet (in English) about the influence of the Catholic religion in the Hispanic world. You could consider the following:

- From the Discovery of America to the Spanish Inquisition, what role did religion play in these events?
- How important is the Catholic religion in Latin America and Spain's culture? Are there any other religions?
- How is this reflected in festivals and other celebrations?

# **TOPIC 3- LOS ÍDOLOS HISPANOS**

Do some research and prepare a fact sheet (in English) about the influence of Spanish-speaking idols. Currently, these are some of the most influential people in the Spanish-speaking world:

Shakira

Lionel Messi

Penélope Cruz

Salma Hayek

Rafa Nadal

**Dolores Huerta** 

Pau Gasol

Jon Kortajarena

Amancio Ortega



Consider their: Biography, professional career, ideology and values, contributions to society/the world, etc.

#### **TOPIC 4- LAS REGIONES ESPAÑOLAS**

Do some research and prepare a fact sheet (in English) about the Spanish regional identities.

You will be surprised to find out how different Spanish regions are from each other. There are 17 of them. Look them up in a map and **choose one** of them for your research project.

País Vasco Cataluña Islas Canarias

Andalucía Galicia La Rioja Extremadura

Consider their: Historical events, culture and traditions, politics, society, economy and resources, tourism, etc.