



RECOMMENDATIONS PRIVATE COURSES FOR ADULTS

"Martha Jesty is a very encouraging and thoughtful teacher. She understands my strengths and, more importantly, my weaknesses and tailors the classes to take these into account. I found the lessons challenging but enjoyable, which I think is the right balance. Martha pushes me to do more than I think I am capable of and that is a smart approach as it enables me to gain more confidence in my abilities. I think I have improved my knowledge of the Spanish language a lot. I can read and write Spanish reasonably well but need to work more on my speaking and listening. I can do that over the summer. I do lack patience some times and it has taken me time to realise that I am on a long journey with the language and I can't expect to know it all straight away." **Ian Dyson**

"Martha Jesty is an excellent Spanish teacher that tailors the lessons to my ability and personality. She has a great sense of humour and is very dynamic, so I enjoy learning with her. I have learned a lot so far and she goes above and beyond to teach me, suggesting material and inviting me to events. Taken a course with Spanish Lessons in Surrey I learned to relax more and understand how to decode the language. My understanding of the language has grown in just one course." **Hebe O'Malley**

"Having recently had personal Spanish lessons with Martha Jesty I can say her unique and clever way of teaching is fun and made so easy. We played Spanish Bingo and even sang Karaoke together to learn, hence I was learning without even realizing it. Martha is a wonderful caring person with an amazing patience and a fantastic sense of humour too. She is a great teacher and will remain a good friend too. I highly recommend Martha to anyone either wanting to learn a new language or who is relocating to the UK with their family and may be in need of the assistance of a Cultural Mentor." **Jo Rashbrook**

"Martha's methodology is very precise and can focus very well on the grammar and the printed handouts and verbs etc are excellent. I am now 84 years of age, but reasonably healthy and remembering Spanish is now harder. Martha is a very keen teacher, but I must encouraged myself to study Spanish more at home and I have been slow in following her advice!" **David Weir**

"I highly recommend Martha Jesty. I started my one to one Spanish lessons with her a few months ago and am pleased with what I have achieved so far. She is a great teacher and she makes learning Spanish easy and fun. She is very patient and encouraging." **Avinash Jobanputra**

"Martha Jesty takes great care to match her teaching to my ability but makes sure to gently push towards greater fluency. A great knowledge of Latin American culture and variations. Martha is an excellent friendly and understanding teacher. There is a clear methodology to ensure all aspects are covered, without ever any sense of overwhelming feeling. Even for a short course there was a clear plan to enable us to cover many aspects. It made learning great fun. Having someone with Martha's experience as a tutor has cemented my commitment to learning beyond the original



plan with just books or online learning this would not have happened." **Steve Harrowell**

"I can highly recommend Martha Jesty; I am in the middle of a business course with her. Her lessons are effective and fun! Also she has a lovely manner and as a mother herself great empathy with teenagers. In short, I would not hesitate to entrust Martha with adults and teen's exam preparation." **Edwina Hugues**

"I can highly recommend Martha Jesty. She is dynamic, fun, friendly and encouraging. She is patient and thorough. She is such an inspiration with her boundless energy, enthusiasm and generous spirit." **Wendy Wilkinson**

"I enjoy the variety of information given by SLS (textbooks, handouts, games, postcards, etc). The presentation is always clear, and the pace is just right. I am never bored. Martha Jesty is energetic and well organised. She has fantastic people's skills and is very enthusiastic about all things Spanish, particularly Peruvian. I would recommend Martha Jesty. I found SLS course fun, well-paced and enjoyable."

Michele Gibson

"Martha Jesty is incredibly patient and encouraging. She encourages and knows how to present new concepts in a way that works for my style of learning, going at a pace that suit me best. I am surprised by how much I could learn in 5 weeks. It's a very short period of time and there is still so much to learn but it know I would feel confident enough to go to a restaurant/bar in Spain now and at least attempt to order in Spanish." **Fiona Jackson**

"I strongly recommend Spanish Lessons in Surrey to any prospective student. Martha Jesty is an excellent and dynamic teacher." **Eddie. Comber**

"SLS quality of language services is very good with all help available. Martha's knowledge of Latin American and Spanish culture is excellent and very interesting. Martha Jesty is a positive person by nature and this comes through in class. She is very organized and enthusiastic; she is an excellent Spanish teacher."

Derek Tidy

"I loved my Spanish lessons with Martha Jesty - she has a very thorough and engaging approach to learning Spanish and I felt that my spoken Spanish particularly improved over the course of my 10 lessons with her. She also gave me lots of advice for home learning. I would thoroughly recommend lessons with her." **Clare H.**

"Martha Jesty is very dynamic and friendly Spanish language teacher. Her knowledge of Brazilian Portuguese made my understanding of Spanish much easier. I believe she is the best teacher I ever had!" **Eder Oliveira**

"I learned a lot but have a long way to go. Martha Jesty is a great teacher with a vast fund knowledge. She is encouraging and helpful." **Jennifer Levy**



"Martha is patient and encouraging; the lessons are well structured and aimed at my basic level. I really enjoy the cultural input into the lessons. Martha makes the lessons fun and doesn't overload my input as I can only take in so much. She is an understanding teacher who encourages you to learn using practical examples and she identified my weaknesses, we are working to overcome it." **Ian Floyd**

"Martha's teaching has helped me a lot as it has allowed me to learn Spanish quickly in preparation for my Spanish language university exam. Fantastic quality teaching, very welcoming and friendly. Martha managed to fit me in last minute so really benefitted from it. The activities done in class were engaging and helped my understanding of Spanish, she focused a lot on grammar to help me grasp the language." **Alice Berrie**

"I found Spanish Lessons in Surrey personal approach extremely beneficial; particularly individual weaker points being addressed on a one to one basis. This is a friendly and approachable way of learning a new language." **Jennifer Ellis**

"Martha Jesty is an excellent teacher, has a very good interaction and real time assessment of my understanding and needs. I had good variety of activities which Martha could adapt to maximise effectiveness. I had good feedback about progression and areas of focus to fill the gaps of my learning and homework was very helpful to my specific language needs." **K.W.**

"Martha Jesty is a warm, generous, empathic person. Her professional skills created a learning environment which I experienced as both containing and enlivening. Her intuitive approach together with her careful assessment and provision of study material and further resources, have enabled me to discover my own unique way of learning. Martha's teaching methodology is to engage with her student in a way that develops a shared journey of discovery of how the innate bi-lingual brain is innate within ourselves. Not only am I gaining confidence in speaking Spanish, my experience of listening is enhanced by my having a deeper awareness of the subtleties of sound, rhythm and the spaces in between both music and language. Martha's passion, commitment and understanding of a student's capacity to develop language skills, has given me the opportunity to embark on a rich and exciting journey into the Spanish language and culture which I intend to explore further with the opportunities that Spanish Lessons in Surrey provide." **Jacqueline Harrison**

"Martha Jesty is incredibly organized, and her supporting material is exceptional, she really does strive for a tailor-made experience. Martha is very engaging and personable, with charm and character. The most important trait though is Martha's patience and encouragement, allowing her student to learn at the right pace and with the necessary support for your own personal development. The lessons are well structured and varied; developing all skills needed it be a well-rounded Spanish learner. Martha certainly pushes you! I only wish I had more time outside the lessons to complete all the homework and supporting material. My Spanish has progressed hugely under Martha's supervision, and only until working with Martha have I realized what I've been missing for so long; not only in my knowledge gaps but also in a teacher!" **David Stafford**



"Martha Jesty was great, she taught me the basics of Spanish I never learned from self-teaching. Now I have the building blocks and the knowledge for my Spanish to really take off. All the help was great, I'm working towards A2 and I feel like in a few months I'll be ready for the test. I'm going to keep working towards my A2 which I'll be ready to take very soon thanks to Marthas help!" **Joe Kirby**

"Martha makes learning fun. But she also is very structured and systematic. She uses a number of different mediums to teach and encourages the use of external resources as well. She has first-hand experience of Latin America which makes learning all the more interesting. Her style is friendly, fun but also effective and challenging. I feel that the lessons I have had so far has made a lot of sense and clarified a number of mysteries. I feel that I will continue to progress but need to work on fluency...and this means regular dialogue and I think some periodic immersion abroad in Spanish speaking countries. I need to progress beyond the present tense and learn the past and the future. As I say above, I really need to be exposed to sustained Spanish conversation." **Neil Herbert**

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