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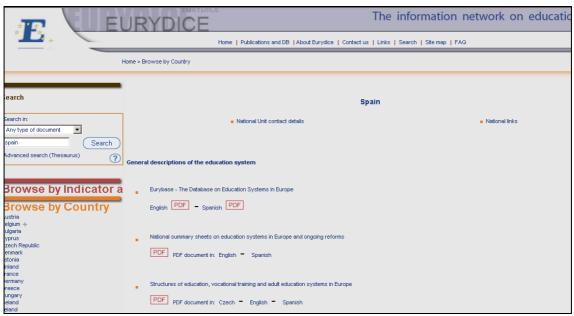
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I. TASKS:

TASK 1. INITIAL EVALUATION. MATCHING GAME

Match each Spanish Education act with the year it was passed.

Ley Orgánica Reguladora del	1985
Derecho a la Educación, LODE.	
2. Ley Orgánica de Ordenación	1990
General del Sistema Educativo,	
LOGSE,	
3. Ley Orgánica para la Participación,	1995
la Evaluación y el Gobierno de los	
Centros Docentes, LOPEG.	
4. Ley Orgánica de Calidad de la	2002
Educación, LOCE.	
,	
5. Ley Orgánica de Educación, LOE.	2006
, ,	

KEY TO TASK 1i

TASK 2. INITIAL EVALUATION. SELF-EVALUATION QUIZ ON EDUCATION CONCEPTS IN SPANISH, CATALAN & ENGLISH

- 1) How many of the following concepts, acts and terms can you translate into English? Which ones?
- 2) How many can your partner translate into English? Which ones?
- 3) Jointly collaborate with your partner and translate as many as you can? How many have you been able to jointly translate?

QU:	IZ ON SPANISH EDUCATION SYSTEM	Me	Му Р	Translations
1	Consell Escolar			
2	Claustre de professors			
3	Cap d'estudis			
4	Equip directiu			
5	Ley Orgánica Reguladora del Derecho a la			
	Educación de 1985			
6	Ley Orgánica de Ordenación General del			
	Sistema Educativo, LOGSE, de 1990			
7	Ley Orgánica para la Participación, la			
	Evaluación y el Gobierno de los Centros			
	Docentes, LOPEG de 1995			
8	Ley Orgánica de Calidad de la Educación,			
	LOCE de 2002			
9	Ley Orgánica de Educación, LOE, de 2006			
10	Sistema Educatiu Espanyol			
	Total			

TASK 3. CHECKING PREIOUS KNOWLEDGE TASK, AN INTIAL EVALUATION TASK: MATCHING GAME.

Match the key terms in Spanish & Catalan with the corresponding translation in English

	Key concepts in Catalan Sistema Educatiu Espanyol	Key Concepts in English Spanish Education System
1	Consell Escolar	Management team
2	Claustre de professors	Teachers' Assembly
3	Cap d'estudis	School Council
4	Equip directiu	Head of studies
5	Directora/director	Head of school

	Key concepts in Catalan	Key Concepts in English
	Sistema Educatiu Espanyol	Spanish Education System
6	Ley Orgánica Reguladora del	Act on the Quality of Education
	Derecho a la Educación,	
	LODE	
7	Ley Orgánica de Ordenación	Act on the General Organisation of the
	General del Sistema	Education System
	Educativo, LOGSE.	
8	Ley Orgánica para la	Act on the Participation, Evaluation and
	Participación, la Evaluación	Administration of Educational
	y el Gobierno de los Centros	Institutions
	Docentes, LOPEG.	
9	Ley Orgánica de Calidad de	Act on Education
	la Educación, <i>LOCE</i>	
10	Ley Orgánica de Educación,	Act on the Right to Education
	LOE.	
	Total	

KEY TO TASK 3 ii

TASK 4. INTRODUCING KEY TERMS

PRE-TEACHING VOCABULARY / KEY TERMS
CHECKING DEGREE OF FAMILIARITY, PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

Below there is a list of some key terms to best describe the present Spanish Education System. Check how many you are already familiar with

After reading /studying the input sources, add as many as you think are missing.

SPANISH EDUCATION SYSTEM KEY TERMS			
1) The Act was <i>passed</i>	2) Management team	3) Spanish education system	
4) Principles <i>govern</i> the Act	5) Teachers' Assembly	6) Quality of education	
7)	8) School Council	9) School success	
10)	11) Head of studies	12) Development of pupils personalities and abilities	
13)	14) Head of school	15) Multiculturalism	
16)	17) citizens	18) Education inclusion	
19)	20)	21) Principles of non-discrimination	
22)	23)	24)	
25)	26)	27)	

SPANISH EDUCATION SYSTEM KEY TERMS-ii-			
28) capacities	29) The 1985 Ac	et on the Right to Education, LODE.	
30) equity	31) The 1990 Ac	et on the General Organisation of the	
	Education S	System, LOGSE	
32) commitment	33) The 1995 Act on the Participation, Evaluation and		
	Administra	tion of Educational Institutions, <i>LOPEG</i> .	
34) responsibility,	35) The 2002 Act on the Quality of Education , <i>LOCE</i>		
36) personal effort.	37) The 2006 Ac	et on Education, LOE	
38) Personal initiative	39)	40)	
41) Cooperation, solidarity	42)	43)	
44) Respect for	45)	46)	
47) Creativity	48)	49)	
50) Personal iniciative	51)	52)	

TASK 5. POST READING TASK: CHECKING COMPREHENSION OR CHECKING PREVIOUS KNOWLEDGE TAKS OR FOLLOW UP VOCABULARY EXERCISE TASK

Fill in the gaps exercise.			
Use the word from the language box to fill the gaps below.			
Language box			
provide / govern / quality education / responsibility of school success			
Three basic principles iii the 2006 Act on the Right to Education (<i>Ley Orgánica de Educación</i> , <i>LOE</i>):			
1. The need toiv all <i>citizens</i> with <i>quality education</i> , at all levels of the <i>education system</i> . Since all citizens should achieve the maximum development of all their intellectual, cultural, emotional and social <i>capacities</i> , they need to <i>receive quality education</i> adapted to their needs.			
At the same time, effective equal opportunities must be guaranteed, by providing the necessary support to both pupils and educational institutions.			
Therefore, the aim is to the <i>educational standards</i> of all pupils, by finding a balance between <i>the quality of education</i> and <i>equity</i> in its distribution.			
The need to get all sectors of the <i>educational community</i> to collaborate in order to achieve such an ambitious objective. The combination of <i>quality</i> and of the previous principle demands a joint effort.			
2. Therefore, the vii does not only fall on the individual pupil, but also on families, teachers, schools, education authorities and society as a whole, which is ultimately responsible for the quality of the education system			
3. A determined <i>commitment</i> to the <i>educational objectives</i> set out by <i>the European Union</i> for the next few years.			
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2. General Organisation of the Education System and Administration of Education (p. 1)

This chapter describes the general framework regulating the **Spanish education system**: its history, basic legislation, **fundamental principles** and ongoing debates. It also offers an overview of the structure, administration, participation in and financing of the education system, as well as statistical data on the expenditure on education

- [1985 LODE] The 1985 Ley Orgánica Reguladora del Derecho a la Educación, LODE (Act on the Right to Education) then followed. Its main objectives were to guarantee both the right to education and academic freedom, and to encourage the participation of society in education, while rationalising the provision of publicly funded school places (see section 2.3.2.).
- [1990 LOGSE] The 1990 Ley Orgánica de Ordenación General del Sistema Educativo, LOGSE (Act on the General Organisation of the Education System) was passed.

 This Act regulated the structure and organisation of non-university education, by establishing mainstream education (see section 2.4.1.) and enseñanzas de régimen especial (see section 2.4.3.). The reorganisation of the education system as stipulated by the LOGSE aims at achieving, in addition to other objectives, the following general objectives: the effective regulation of education at the precompulsory stage; a thorough reform of vocational training, by establishing a post-secondary level; linking enseñanzas de régimen especial (artistic and language education) and other types of education; and the definition of basic education as envisaged by the Constitution: being of ten years, between the ages of 6 and 16 (see section 2.5.).
- [1995 LOPEG] In 1995, the Ley Orgánica de la Participación, la Evaluación y el Gobierno de los Centros Docentes, LOPEG (Act on Participation, Evaluation and Administration of Educational Institutions) was passed.
 - It returned to the concept of participation laid down by the LODE and specified some aspects regarding the organisation and functions of the governing bodies of publicly funded schools with the aim of modifying them to what had been established by the LOGSE. It also dealt with the **participation of the different members of the educational community in the organisation and governance of educational institutions**, as well as the definition of their *proyecto educativo*.
- [2002 LOCE] On December 23rd 2002, the LOCE, [Ley Orgánica de Calidad de la Educación, LOCE (Act on the Quality of Education)] which modified the LODE, the LOGSE and the LOPEG, was also passed. It proposed a series of measures with the aim of achieving quality education for all. These measures were organised in accordance with five main principles: the promotion of the values of individual effort; the intensification in pupils' assessment processes; the reinforcement of a system of equal opportunities; the acknowledgement and encouragement of the work of teachers; and the awarding of more autonomy to educational institutions.
- [2006 LOE] [The 2006 Ley Orgánica de Educación, LOE (Act on Education)] A new reform process of the education system is currently taking place by passing the 2006 Ley Orgánica de Educación, LOE (Act on Education) (...)

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The LOE, in an attempt to simplify the complex current legal situation, repealed the previous acts (LOGSE (1990), LOPEG and LOCE) and became the basic regulation for the general organisation of the Spanish non-university education system, covering pre-primary education, primary education, compulsory secondary education, Bachillerato, vocational training, artistic education, language education, sports education, and adult education.

The Act will be gradually implemented over five years, starting in 2006/07 and finishing in 2009/10 (see section 2.3.4.).

The LOE simplifies the legal situation by repealing the acts making up the legal framework of the Spanish non-university education system:

- the **1990** Ley Orgánica de Ordenación General del Sistema Educativo, **LOGSE** (Act on the General Organisation of the Education System),
- the **1995** Ley Orgánica para la Participación, la Evaluación y el Gobierno de los Centros Docentes, **LOPEG** (Act on the Participation, Evaluation and Administration of Educational Institutions).
- and the 2002 Ley Orgánica de Calidad de la Educación, LOCE (Act on the Quality of Education).
- The Act also modifies some aspects of the **1985** Ley Orgánica Reguladora del Derecho a la Educación, **LODE** (Act on the Right to Education).

Therefore, both the LOE and the LODE make up the new legislative framework of the Spanish education system. The new Act and the royal decrees which develop it, will be gradually implemented, starting in the academic year 2006/07 and finishing in 2009/10 (see section 2.3.4.).

The 2006 Ley Orgánica de Educación, LOE (Act on Education) (p. 8)

Three basic principles govern the 2006 LOE:

1) The need to **provide all** *citizens* **with** *quality education*, **at all levels of the education system**. Since all citizens should achieve the maximum development of all their intellectual, cultural, emotional and social *capacities*, they need to receive *quality education* adapted to their needs.

At the same time, effective <u>equal opportunities</u> must be guaranteed, by providing the necessary support to both pupils and educational institutions.

Therefore, the aim is to **improve the <u>educational standards</u>** of all pupils, by finding a balance between the <u>quality of education</u> and <u>equity</u> in its distribution.

The need to **get all sectors of the educational community to collaborate** in order to achieve such an ambitious objective. The **combination of <u>quality</u> and <u>equity</u>** of the previous principle demands a joint effort.

- 2) Therefore, <u>the responsibility of school success</u> does not only fall on the individual pupil, but also on families, teachers, schools, education authorities and society as a whole, which is ultimately responsible for the quality of the education system.
- 3) A determined **commitment to the educational objectives set out by the European Union** for the next few years.

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The LOE also establishes that <u>the Spanish education system</u> will be focussed on achieving the following goals:

- 1) Full development of pupils' personalities and abilities.
- 2) **Respect for the <u>fundamental rights</u> and <u>freedoms</u>, equal rights and opportunities between men and women, and the equal treatment and non-discrimination against disabled people.**
- 3) <u>Tolerance</u> and <u>freedom</u> within the <u>democratic principles</u> of coexistence, as well as the prevention of conflicts and their peaceful resolution.
- 4) Education in individual responsibility, merit and personal effort.
- 5) Peace, **respect for <u>human rights</u>**, community life, social cohesion, and <u>cooperation and</u> <u>solidarity among peoples</u>, as well as the acquisition of values promoting <u>respect for living</u> <u>beings and the environment</u>, in particular, the importance of forested areas and sustainable development.
- 6) Development of <u>pupils</u>'ability to regulate their <u>own learning process</u>, trust their aptitude and knowledge, and develop <u>creativity</u>, <u>personal initiative</u> and an enterprising spirit.
- 7) Respect and acknowledgement of <u>the linguistic and cultural plurality</u> of Spain and to view <u>multiculturalism</u> as an element enriching society.
- 8) Acquisition of **intellectual habits** and **working techniques**, scientific, technical, humanistic, historical and artistic knowledge, as well as the development of a healthy lifestyle, physical exercise and sport.
- 9) Enabling pupils to obtain **professional qualifications**.
- 10) Development of pupils' <u>ability to communicate</u> in the official language, the co-official language as applicable, and in one or more foreign languages.
- 11) Preparation for **citizenship** and active participation in economic, social and cultural life, with a critical and responsible attitude and with the capacity to adapt to the changing situations of a knowledge society.

The LOE will be gradually implemented starting in the academic year 2006/07 and finishing in 2009/10 (see table 2.1).

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The <u>proyecto educativo</u> includes the values, objectives and action priorities established by the **School Council** or, otherwise, as approved at the suggestion of the owner of the school. It also contains the curricula, as defined by the education authorities and specified and approved by the Teachers' Assembly, as well as the approach to education in values and cross-curricular topics.

The *proyecto educativo*, must consider the specific characteristics of the social and cultural environment of the school. It should also describe the way in which attention to the diverse backgrounds of the school population, academic supervision as well as the plan for coexistence are addressed, and must observe both the principles of <u>non-discrimination</u> and <u>educational inclusion</u> as fundamental values.

Educational institutions must also draw up their own rules of organisation and procedure, including those guaranteeing compliance with the plan for coexistence.

In addition, at the beginning of every academic year, schools must draw up a *programación general anual* covering all aspects concerning the organisation and running of the centre, including the projects, the curriculum and all action plans as agreed and approved.

Educational institutions can also, in the exercise of their autonomy, introduce innovation, working plans, or different ways of organising or increasing the number of school hours, provided they are authorised by the corresponding education authorities.

2.6.4.1. Non-university educational institutions

The <u>School Council</u>, the <u>Teachers' Assembly</u> and the <u>management team</u> are responsible for the management of public educational institutions.

The organisational, pedagogical and *management autonomy* of public educational institutions is the responsibility of the management team and the mixed-membership governing and educational coordination bodies.

The management team is made up of the head teacher, the head of studies, the secretary, as well as any other figure established by education authorities. Mixed-membership governing bodies must comprise, at least, the School Council and the Teachers' Assembly. Public schools can also have other governing bodies, as stipulated in their relevant regulations.

Administrative, economic management and pedagogical organisation tasks in public schools and in *centros concertados* are the responsibility of the governing bodies.

III. KEYS TO THE TASKS

ⁱ KEY TO TASK 1

Ley Orgánica Reguladora del Derecho a la Educación, LODE.	1985
 Ley Orgánica de Ordenación General del Sistema Educativo, LOGSE. 	1990
3. Ley Orgánica para la Participación, la Evaluación y el Gobierno de los Centros Docentes, LOPEG.	1995
4. Ley Orgánica de Calidad de la Educación, LOCE.	2002
5. Ley Orgánica de Educación, LOE.	2006

ii KEY TO TASK 3

	Key concepts in Catalan Sistema Educatiu Espanyol	Key Concepts in English Spanish Education System
1	Consell Escolar	School Council
2	Claustre de professors	Teachers' Assembly
3	Cap d'estudis	Head of studies
4	Equip directiu	Management team
5	Directora/director	Head of school
6	Ley Orgánica Reguladora del	The 1985 Act on the Right to
	Derecho a la Educación,	Education, LODE.
	<i>LODE</i> de 1985.	
7	Ley Orgánica de Ordenación	The 1990 Act on the General
	General del Sistema	Organisation of the Education
	Educativo, <i>LOGSE</i> de 1990	System, LOGSE
8	Ley Orgánica para la	The 1995 Act on the Participation,
	Participación, la Evaluación	Evaluation and Administration of
	y el Gobierno de los Centros	Educational Institutions, <i>LOPEG</i> .
	Docentes, <i>LOPEG</i> de 1995	
9	Ley Orgánica de Calidad de	The 2002 Act on the Quality of
	la Educación, <i>LOCE</i> de 2002	Education, LOCE
10	Ley Orgánica de Educación,	The 2006 Act on Education , LOE
	<i>LOE</i> de 2006	

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iii Govern

Three basic principles govern the 2006 LOE

iv provide

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v Improve

At the same time, effective *equal opportunities* must be guaranteed, by providing the necessary support to both pupils and educational institutions.

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vi equity

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