

**Let AATSP help you to create a great unit incorporating Next Generation Standards!**

*\*Student-centered*

*\*Develop literacy skills in students!*

*\*Use technology in the LOTE classroom!*

and...

*Students have the chance to*



**Please, encourage students to enter our annual Website Competition!**

Create a website about *the Dominican Republic*.

**¡Vamos a La República Dominicana!**



The website may include the following:

➤ **food**

➤ **festivals**

➤ **folklore**

➤ **fashion/traditional clothing**

➤ **geography/environment**

➤ **history/politics**

➤ **economy (currency, etc.)**

**Here is a rubric that teachers may use for their classes in order to first assign this as a project.**

Rubric:

<i>Category</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0</i>
Creativity/Originality	The webpage is an original creation. It includes photos and links, as well as original writing in the target language (Spanish or Portuguese) suitable for the student's level.	The webpage is an original creation. While it includes photos and links, it also has some original writing in the target language (Spanish or Portuguese) suitable for the student's level.	The webpage relies mainly on links. The information is almost completely from other sources.	The webpage is just a compilation of links. There is no or almost no original work.
Presentation	The presentation is neat, attractive, and easy to follow.	The presentation is somewhat neat and easy to follow.	The material is presented in a way that is a little unclear or confusing.	The material is hard to find on the webpage or very

				confusing in its presentation.
Content	The content is relevant and encourages interest in the country. The writing is coherent and grammatically correct. The language (Spanish or Portuguese) used is appropriate for the level entered.	Most content is relevant and correct. The writing is coherent and grammatically correct with minimal errors. The language (Spanish or Portuguese) used is appropriate for the level entered.	Some content is irrelevant or incorrect. The writing has numerous errors. More of the target language should be used at the level entered.	Much of the content is irrelevant or incorrect. The writing has numerous errors which make it difficult to understand.
Sources	All sources are cited.	One or two items appear to be missing sources.	Several sources are incorrect or missing.	There are no sources cited. Work is copied from elsewhere. <i>This will automatically exclude the entry from the competition.</i>

## Directions:

Create a website “advertising” *La República Dominicana!* The website should include links to other sources and any borrowed material must be cited. You are encouraged to use your own writing skills to explain facets of the culture. Creativity is encouraged!

Your website should have the following components:

- Title: *La República Dominicana*
- All content should be in Spanish or Portuguese. Content may be written and/or oral.
- Where is it? (Maybe link to a map. Cite your source!)
- Currency
- Geography: mountains, rivers, terrain, capital city, principal cities
- Weather: Students of any level can explain this in Spanish or in Portuguese!
- Foods: List some popular dishes.
- Festivals: Everyone loves celebrations! What are some popular holidays? List the dates in Spanish!
- Folklore: What are some interesting facts, stories, or customs in your country?

- Fashion/Traditional Clothing: Include famous designers and descriptions of costumes or clothing associated with cultural events.
- Additional Suggestions: politics, history, and current environmental issues.

You may also show off your speaking skills and other talents. You may create and incorporate your personal artwork, music, and videography to help you to stand out from the competition!

Here are several suggested websites for guidance:

- <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/dr.html>
- <http://www.godominicanrepublic.com/es/>
- <https://www.cocinadominicana.com/6691/10-platos-comidas-republica-dominicana-populares.html>
- <https://www.visitarepublicadominicana.org/festivales-en-republica-dominicana>
- [http://www.repdominicana.info/Fiestas\\_y\\_celebraciones.html](http://www.repdominicana.info/Fiestas_y_celebraciones.html)

The winning entry will be linked to the AATSP Metropolitan Chapter's website. The student will receive prize money and be recognized at the Annual Gala in the spring.

# 2020 AATSP Metropolitan N.Y. Website Contest

## *Viaje a un país extranjero*

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

#### SPONSORING TEACHERS

- A teacher may submit ONLY three entries per level: grades 6-8, grades 9-10, and grades 11-12.
- Sponsoring teachers of students entering the contest must be AATSP members with dues paid for 2020.

#### CRITERIA FOR DEVELOPING THE WEBSITE

- Each entry must be the original work of one or a team of two students. Links to other websites and references must be cited.
- The website should follow the guidelines set on the rubric.
- The subject of the website must be a country with **SPANISH and/or PORTUGUESE** as an official language. (2020: Dominican Republic)
- Students may use a variety of creative approaches to represent the theme.
- Websites will be judged on their applicability to the theme, creativity, and uniqueness. Criteria is further explained in the rubric.
- Each website may be entered by e-mail. It must be accompanied by the **Student Information Form** (attached), which may be sent as an attachment.

## **WEBSITE SUBMISSION**

- The deadline for submission is **January 10, 2020**.
- Submissions should be sent to: [Mleptak.aatspmetny@gmail.com](mailto:Mleptak.aatspmetny@gmail.com)
- Teachers of winning students will be notified by the end of March 15, 2020.

[http://c.ymcdn.com/sites/www.aatsp.org/resource/resmgr/ell/2012\\_ell\\_entry\\_requirements.pdf](http://c.ymcdn.com/sites/www.aatsp.org/resource/resmgr/ell/2012_ell_entry_requirements.pdf)

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