



French

Edexcel

Year 12

Did you know that in France you can marry a dead person? Or that French gastronomy was awarded UNESCO World Heritage Status in 2010? These are a couple of the things you will learn about in A Level French.

This is a 2 year linear course assessed at the end of Year 13.

Theme 1: Changes in French society

Theme 2: Political and artistic culture in French speaking countries

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Theme 3: Immigration and French Multi-cultural society
 Theme 4: The Occupation and Resistance.

Assessment

Paper 1: (1 hour 50 minutes)

Listening, reading and translation into English (40%)

Paper 2: (2 hours 40 minutes) (30%) Writing

(a) Translation into French

(b) Essay on 'Le sac de billes' by Joseph Joffo

(c) Essay on the film 'Intouchables'

Paper 3: Speaking Test (21-23 minutes) (30%)

Task 1: Students discuss one theme from the four listed above.

Task 2: Students present and discuss a topic they have independently researched .

Links Well With:

French links well with any A Level as it is a subject that gives you skills to operate in any field, including Maths and Science. From a linguistic perspective, it links well with English and Spanish. However, languages also provide an insight into another culture and society; the course content links well to subjects such as Art, Geography, History, Music, Philosophy and Ethics and Sociology.

Progression Routes:

French is a 'facilitating subject' and students can go on to study French at university with the focus on a range of specialisms. Many universities also offer courses where you can study a language as an additional unit or module to your main subject and even offer study or work placements abroad. Speaking a language opens the door to the whole spectrum of employment possibilities.

Entry Requirements:

GCSE Grade 6 French.