



A level French (9FR0)
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Awarding Body	Pearson Edexcel
Entry Requirements	Grade 6 French GCSE
What essential skills will I gain?	Studying a language develops communication, problem solving and analysing skills. Employers highly value the ability to communicate in different languages and build relationships with people from different cultures. You will learn about politics, history and culture through the medium of French. You will develop your knowledge of different cultures and French speaking places. You will develop your literary criticism skills by studying one French book and one French film.
What will I study?	<p>You will study five different themes covering topics such as French society, music, culture, politics, immigration, history including the French resistance and the German occupation</p> <p>You will study one film and one book in the French language. You will study the characters, themes and the creative techniques that are used. Your studies of English literature will help you with this part of the course.</p> <p>As part of the speaking exam you will prepare an individual research project before the exam. You can choose your own topic and explore different points of view about your topic. In the exam you will discuss the research with your teacher.</p> <p>You will develop your French language reading, writing, speaking and listening skills.</p> <p>Here is a more detailed list of topics: The changing family structure in France; The education system; The world of work; Music focusing on Francophone music, the popular musical genre, the influence of Francophone music; The media focusing on freedom of speech in francophone countries, the effect of the media on politics and society in francophone countries; French festivals and traditions; Immigration in France; The challenges of immigration; The extreme right "Le Front National" and its rise; The German occupation of France during the Second World War, focusing on life for the French under the Vichy regime, the nature of anti-Semitism, life under the occupation and post-war reprisals; The Vichy regime; The French Resistance with the role Jean Moulin and women played during that period of time.</p>
How will I be assessed?	<p>Paper 1: Listening, Reading & Translation (40%) Listening, Reading, Translation French to English</p> <p>Paper 2: Written response to works and Translation (30%) Section A: Translation - Students translate an unseen passage from English into French. Section B: Written response to works (literary texts) Section C: Written response to works (films)</p> <p>Paper 3: Speaking (30%) Task 1 (discussion on a Theme) Students discuss one theme from the specification based on a stimulus containing two different statements. Task 2, Part 1 (independent research presentation) Task 2, Part 2 (discussion on independent research)</p>
Careers	Journalism, Broadcasting, Teaching, Advertising, Marketing, Law, Interpreting, Translating, Writing, Editing, Publishing, International Sporting Events, Tourism, Hospitality
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