FRENCH GCSE

What qualification does this course lead to?

GCSE in French GRADES 9-1 AQA exam board



What topics will I study?

You will study three themes: 1- <u>Identity and culture</u>, 2- <u>Local, national, international and global areas of interest</u>, 3-<u>Current and future study and employment</u>

What understanding and skills will I develop?

You will develop a level of linguistic competence in your chosen language, an understanding of the language in a variety of contexts, a knowledge of your language and language learning skills, an ability to communicate effectively in the language, develop awareness and understanding of countries and communities where the language is spoken, and develop the skills necessary to help you take your place in a multilingual global society.

How will I learn/ how will I be taught?

You will be taught in classes appropriate to the language. All four skills, Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing will be covered in class and examined in the final term of the course.

How will I be assessed?

GCSE French has a Foundation Tier (grades 1–5) and a Higher Tier (grades 4–9). Students must take all four question papers at the same tier. All question papers must be taken in the same series.

- Paper 1 <u>LISTENING</u> Written exam: 35 minutes (Foundation Tier), 45 minutes (Higher Tier) 40 marks (Foundation Tier), 50 marks (Higher Tier) 25% of GCSE
- Paper 2 <u>SPEAKING</u> Non-exam assessment 7–9 minutes (Foundation Tier) + preparation time 10–12 minutes (Higher Tier) + preparation time 60 marks (for each of Foundation Tier and Higher Tier) 25% of GCSE
- Paper 3 <u>READING</u> Written exam: 45 minutes (Foundation Tier), 1 hour (Higher Tier) 60 marks (for each of Foundation Tier and Higher Tier) 25% of GCSE
- Paper 4 <u>WRITING</u> Written exam: 1 hour (Foundation Tier), 1 hour 15 minutes (Higher Tier) 50 marks at Foundation Tier and 60 marks at Higher Tier 25% of GCSE

What can this course lead on to?

A Levels in French or any related qualification.

Who do I need to contact for more information?

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