

Course Title: French

Course Code/Codes: 8658

Examining Body: AQA

What is the aim of this course?

This course aims to develop your ability to communicate confidently and coherently with native speakers in speech and writing, conveying what you want to say with increasing accuracy. You will be able to express and develop thoughts and ideas spontaneously and fluently, listen to and understand clearly articulated, standard speech at near normal speed. You will deepen your knowledge about how language works and enrich your vocabulary to increase independent use and understanding of extended language in a range of contexts.

Why should I choose this course?

French is the language of our closest European neighbours and several other countries throughout the world. This course will allow you to develop awareness and understanding of the culture and identity of the countries and communities where French is spoken.

How will I be assessed?

Paper 1 – Listening: Understanding & responding to different types of the spoken language.

- Written exam: 35mins or 45mins
- 25% of qualification

Paper 2 – Speaking: Communicating & interacting effectively in speech for a variety of purposes.

- Non-exam assessment
- 7–9mins (Foundation) + preparation time
- 10–12mins (Higher Tier) + preparation time
- 25% of qualification

Paper 3 - Reading: Understanding & responding to different types of written language.

- Written exam: 45mins or 1hr
- 25% of qualification

Paper 4 - Writing: Communicating effectively in writing for a variety of purposes.

- Written exam: 1hr or 1hr 15mins
- 25% of qualification

Is this course for me?

Do you... love communicating and travelling abroad, have an interest in learning about other cultures, have leadership and team working skills. Are you open minded? If you answered 'Yes' then the French course is right for you.

Possible career opportunities

The range of career possibilities using languages is broad, including:

- Teaching
- Interpreting
- Translating
- Diplomatic service officer

In addition, over 90% of careers where languages are used are within non-linguistic professions such as:

- Marketing
- Sales
- Media
- Finance

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