

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 understand and use French effectively for practical communication and offers you an insight into the culture of French speaking countries and communities. You will be taught in a productive and supportive environment, which will enable you to form a sound base of the skills, language and attitude required for further study, work and leisure.

Why should I choose this course?

French is the language of our closest European neighbours. It is spoken in many other parts of the world including Canada and many countries in Africa. In opting to study French, you will be able to communicate more confidently and accurately with French speakers.

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... want to learn French? Have sound knowledge of the language and wish to learn more about the culture? Want to have an advantage if you apply to university? 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

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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