

Title **French**

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Examination Board: AQA

Qualification: GCSE

Tiers: Higher / Foundation

Grades: 9-4 / 5-1

Introduction This subject is designed to develop students' understanding of French in a variety of contexts. Students will develop their listening and reading skills, and be able to communicate effectively in written and spoken French.

What will I study each year?

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| Y9 | Identity and culture <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Me, my family and friends• Technology in everyday live• Free-time activities |
| Y10 | Customs and festivals in French-speaking countries/communities <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Home, town, neighbourhood and region• Social issues• Global issues• Travel and tourism |
| Y11 | Current and future study and employment <ul style="list-style-type: none">• My studies• Life at school/college• Education post-16• Jobs, career choices and ambitions |

How will my work be assessed? / assessment components

Examination		Duration		Weighting
		Higher	Foundation	
Examination 1	Listening	45 mins	35 mins	25%
Examination 2	Speaking	12 mins	9 mins	25%
Examination 3	Reading	60 mins	45 mins	25%
Examination 4	Writing	75 mins	60 mins	25%

Why study French?

- You will consolidate and broaden your knowledge of French grammar, thus enabling you to freely talk and write in all time frames about yourself and contemporary issues
- Topics will include French society, healthy lifestyles, social and environmental issues, as well as relationships and the world of work
- You will work with real-life French language through a variety of media and develop strategies in all four language skills: reading, writing, listening and speaking
- You will broaden your vocabulary and engage in independent study in areas that interest you

Extra-curriculum activities / Trips

Trip to Paris

What would this subject enable me to do when I finish school?

GCSE French can lead to further study of French at AS Level. French counts towards the English Baccalaureate. Languages are great for a wide variety of careers especially those involving translation or communication with people from non-English speaking countries. This can include careers in tourism, government, politics, media, publishing and journalism. You can also work in education, fashion or law!

How parents or other members of the public can find out more about the curriculum your subject is following

<http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/gcse/french-8658/specification-at-a-glance>

