Subject: French

Qualification: A level

Course overview

Students will study a film and a piece of French literature in-depth. Students will complete an Independent Research Project in French, forming the basis for a discussion in the speaking exam.

Topics in year 1 are: Aspects of French-speaking society; current trends and artistic culture in the French-speaking world. In year 2 the topics are: Multiculturalism in French-speaking society and current issues and aspects of political life in the French-speaking world.

How is the course assessed?

Grade A*-E awarded. Assessment comprises of three examinations:

Paper 1- Listening and Reading is 2 hours and 30 minutes (42% of overall Grade).

Paper 2- Writing is 2 hours (33%); Paper 3- Speaking is approximately 25 minutes (25%).

Where can A level French take you?

Completion of this qualification will give between 16 and 56 UCAS points, to gain entry onto a degree course or entry into the workplace. French can lead to further study and careers in tourism, teaching, international law or business.

Case Study

Year Group and Term	Subject Knowledge	Assessment	Curriculum/CIAG Links
Year 12 Term 1	The changing nature of family (La famille en voie de changement)	End of Unit 1 Assessment Reading Writing, Speaking, Listening, Translation	https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/as- and-a-level/french-7652/subject-content

Year 12 Term 2	The 'cyber-society' (La « cyber-société »)	End of Unit 2 Assessment	https://www.aga.org.uk/subjects/languages/as-
Tear 12 Term 2	The cyber society (La « cyber-societe »)	Reading Writing, Speaking,	and-a-level/french-7652/subject-content
		Listening, Translation	
Year 12 Term 3	The place of voluntary work (Le rôle du	End of Unit 3 Assessment	https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/as-
	bénévolat)	Reading Writing, Speaking,	and-a-level/french-7652/subject-content
		Listening, Translation	
Year 12 Term 4	A culture proud of its heritage (Une culture	End of Unit 4 Assessment	https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/as-
	fière de son patrimoine)	Reading Writing, Speaking,	and-a-level/french-7652/subject-content
	Study of a film: "Entre les murs"	Listening, Translation	
Year 12 Term 5	Contemporary francophone music (La	AS Past Paper (in class)	https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/as-
	musique francophone contemporaine)	Reading, Listening, Writing	and-a-level/french-7652/subject-content
	Study of a film: "Entre les murs"		
Year 12 Term 6	Cinema: the 7th art form (Cinéma : le	AS Past Paper (in Hall)	https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/as-
	septième art)	Reading, Listening, Writing	and-a-level/french-7652/subject-content
Year 13 Term 1	Positive features of a diverse society (Les	A-Level Past Paper (in class)	https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/as-
	aspects positifs d'une société diverse)	Reading, Listening, Writing	and-a-level/french-7652/subject-content
	Study of a book: "No et moi"		
	Individual Research Project		
Year 13 Term 2	Life for the marginalised (Quelle vie pour	A level Past Paper (in Hall)	https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/as-
	les marginalisés ?)	Reading, Listening, Writing	and-a-level/french-7652/subject-content
	Study of a book: "No et moi"		
	Individual Research Project		

Year 13 Term 3	How criminals are treated (Comment on traite les criminels) Teenagers, the right to vote and political commitment (Les ados, le droit de vote et l'engagement politique) Individual Research Project	A level Past Paper (in Hall) Reading, Listening, Writing Speaking mock	https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/as- and-a-level/french-7652/subject-content
Year 13 Term 4	Demonstrations, strikes – who holds the power? (manifestations, grèves – à qui le pouvoir ?) Politics and immigration (La politique et l'immigration)	Speaking exams	https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/as- and-a-level/french-7652/subject-content
Year 13 Term 5	Exam preparation	Final exams	https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/as- and-a-level/french-7652/subject-content
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