

# FRENCH

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## TYPE OF QUALIFICATION

A-level

## EXAM BOARD

Edexcel

## SPECIFICATION

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## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

*Preferred:* GCSE French grade 6  
*Essential:* GCSE French grade 5



## AIMS OF THE COURSE

When you study A Level French, you will further develop the four key skills of Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing whilst studying through media such as podcasts, videos, songs and presentations with film and literature studies also included. We look at topics relevant to the youth of today.

## COURSE OUTLINE & ASSESSMENT

Year 1:

- Theme 1: Family and changing relationships, the French education system, jobs and careers in France.
- Theme 2: Music, media studies, festivals and traditions in France + Film study

Year 2:

- Theme 3: Life as an immigrant, acceptance or marginalization, French nationalism
- Theme 4: Life in France during the Second World War + literature study

Assessment:

- Paper 1 – Listening/Reading/Translation into English – 40%
- Paper 2 – Written response to Works/Translation into French – 30%
- Paper 3 – Speaking: discussion based on one curriculum area and on a topic of your choice – 30%

## CAREER PROSPECTS

49% of UK businesses look for employees who can speak French, meaning studying the language will be a huge asset to your career. If you want to actively use languages in your work, you could consider: Travel & tourism (working as a travel agent, part of airline crew or holiday representative), Marketing (many marketing and PR jobs require you to be able to speak a second language, and therefore French can be a huge asset), translation, teaching. However, the soft skills learned during the course will support you in most careers.

## SUBJECT ENRICHMENT



### Something to think about...

What is life like for a teenager in Paris? How many people in the world use skills such as communication, presentation, reading and writing in their jobs? Where could you go on a gap year using French?



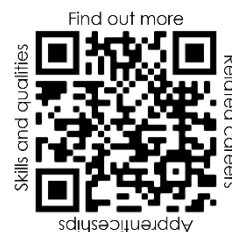
### Something to listen to...

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6bqe\\_QJ0yls&feature=emb\\_logo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6bqe_QJ0yls&feature=emb_logo)



### Something to read...

You will find some great articles for young adults in the magazine Phosphore. You can follow on Instagram #magphosphore or on Twitter @phosphoremag. Le Point also has some great content to develop your vocabulary and knowledge of Francophone issues. You can also find those on social media: #lepointfr and @lepoint.



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