

# FRENCH A-LEVEL

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## For whom is this course suitable?

Students studying French will need to have gained a grade 6 in the GCSE Higher Tier examination.

All students will need to enjoy speaking French, listening to news extracts on French radio, reading authentic French materials and writing creatively and independently in French.

French may be successfully combined with any number of other subjects. Most importantly, A-Level French study will allow students to develop confidence and fluency when communicating orally and in the written word; skills which are seen as a benefit by Universities and in industry and business.

## What will I learn on this course?

### A Level French

The course consists of three examinations including all four language skills and grammar.

#### Paper 1: Listening, Reading and Writing – 50%

The examination will test students' knowledge and understanding of

- Current trends in French-speaking society
- Current issues (social and political) in French-speaking society
- Artistic Culture in the French-speaking world
- Aspects of political life in the French-speaking world.
- Grammar

#### Paper 2: Writing – 20 %

In the writing examination, students will be tested on a film and/or literary work from a list of set films and literature: Either, one text and one film or two texts.

There will also be a grammar section.

#### Paper 3: Speaking – 30%

The speaking test includes 2 sections

- An Individual research project
- One of four themes (Aspects of French-speaking society: current trends, Aspects of French-speaking society: current issues, Artistic culture in the French-speaking world, Aspects of political life in the French-speaking world)

## What could I do at the end of my course?

A qualification in a Modern Foreign Language is an excellent grounding for any number of careers, particularly those that require the ability to communicate clearly, in speech or writing, and those that require the ability to analyse. Those interested in journalism, media, law or the civil service would benefit from studying French.