

French

ACADEMIC
& APPLIED

Level 3
AS Level / A Level

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Entry requirements

- A strong level 6 or above in GCSE French
- A passion for French
- The willingness and commitment to work equally hard at home and in class!

Why choose this course?

This AQA specification for AS and A Level Modern Foreign Languages is designed to encourage students to:

- develop an interest in, and enthusiasm for, language learning
- develop understanding of the language in a variety of contexts and genres
- communicate confidently, clearly and effectively in the language for a range of purposes
- develop awareness and understanding of the contemporary society, cultural background and heritage of countries or communities where the language is spoken
- consider their study of the language in a broader context
- derive enjoyment and benefit from language learning
- acquire knowledge, skills and understanding for practical use, further study and/or employment
- communicate with speakers of the language take their place in a multilingual global society

Web Links

www.ccskills.org.uk

AS AS Level French : www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/as-and-a-level/French-7691

A Level French : www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/as-and-a-level/French-7692

Course content

What does the course involve?

AS and A2 Level

Details of Units/Modules:

<p>A level: Unit 1 Listening, reading and responding</p> <p>Written exam: 2 hours 30 minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100 marks • 50% of A-level 	<p>All questions are in French and are responded to in French</p> <p>Translation skills are tested: French – Eng and Eng–French(100 words).</p> <p>Knowledge of current affairs is assessed.</p> <p>High level of grammar knowledge is essential.</p>
<p>A Level: Unit 2 Writing</p> <p>Written exam: 2 hours</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 80 marks in total • 20% of A-level 	<p>1x 300 word essay based on the novel studied.</p> <p>1x 300 word essay based on the film analysed.</p>
<p>A Level: Speaking</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oral exam: 21–23 minutes (including 5 minutes preparation time) • 60 marks in total • 30% of A-level 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion of a sub-theme with the discussion based on a stimulus card (5–6 minutes). The student studies the card for 5 minutes at the start of the test (25 marks). • Presentation (2 minutes) and discussion (9–10 minutes) of individual re-search project (35 marks).

What will you do?

You will build upon all 4 key skills: Listening, Reading, Speaking and Writing. This specification has been designed to be studied over two years. The approach is a focus on how French-speaking society has been shaped socially and culturally and how it continues to change. In the first year, aspects of society are studied, together with aspects of the artistic life of French-speaking countries. In the second year further aspects of the social background are covered, this time focusing on matters associated with multiculturalism.

Possible career pathway

A foreign language could take you into any number of exciting career paths. Of course there is translating and teaching, but what about being a pilot, an international banker, working for a shipping line? Had you thought about a travel blogger, development worker, lawyer or marketing manager? Or maybe being a spy sounds more intriguing?

Note: This is our current offer which is subject to change