

French

Exam Board: AQA

To assist in the development of the spoken language we conduct lessons almost exclusively in French and encourage students to get involved with language clubs and lesson support in the lower school. Students get the opportunity to develop their fluency by attending lessons in small groups.

French

Career Opportunities

Opportunities in industry, commerce, banking, the Diplomatic Service, teaching, journalism, interpreting and translating, linguist, travel and tourism - an A level in French will give you a distinct advantage.

Course Content

YEAR 12

Theme I

Aspects of French speaking society: current trends.

- The changing nature of family
- The 'cyber-society'
- The place of voluntary work.

Theme 2

Artistic culture in the Frenchspeaking world.

- A culture proud of its heritage
- Contemporary francophone music
- Cinema: the 7th art form.

Essay writing and research-based topic presentation

- Study of a film
- Study of a set text.

Course Content

YEAR 13

Theme 3

Aspects of French speaking society: current issues.

- Life for the marginalised
- How criminals are treated
- Positive features of a diverse society.

Theme 4

Aspects of political life in the French-speaking world.

- Teenagers, the right to vote and political commitment
- Demonstrations, strikes who holds the power?
- Politics and immigration.

Essay writing and research-based topic presentation

- Study of a film
- Study of a set text.

Assessment

Paper I

Written Exam: 2hr 30 min

Listening, reading, writing.

Translation into English and the target language.

(50% of total A level)

Paper 2

Written Exam: 2hr

Essay and grammar.

Questions on set text and film.

(20% of total A level)

Paper 3

Spoken Exam: 21-23min

Discussion of a sub-theme, based on a stimulus card.

Presentation of an individual research project.

(30% of total A level)