

A Level French

Why study a language at A level?

A level Languages provide a broad understanding of the culture, countries and communities where modern languages are spoken and encourage enjoyment of language learning.

What GCSE grade is needed to study a language at A level?

You will need at least a level 6 in your GCSE and will need to have been a Higher candidate in Listening and Reading.

How is this A level assessed?

This qualification is linear. Linear means that students will sit all their exams at the end of the course. There are 3 exam Papers:
Paper 1—Listening, Reading and writing (40%)
Paper 2—Writing (30%)
Paper 3—Speaking (30%)

How long is each paper and what will be required?

Paper 1 = 1h45 Listening and responding to spoken passages. Students are in charge of the recordings and answer in French.

Reading and responding to passages.

Translation into English.

Paper 2 = 1h15 Writing about a text or film and translation into French.

Paper 3 = 15 minutes preparation followed by 14 minutes exam time.

What will be studied?

Core content

1. Social issues and trends
2. Political and artistic culture
3. Grammar

Options

4. Works: Literary texts and films

What are the main topics?

- * Changing nature of the Family
- * Cyber society
- * Place of voluntary work
- * Heritage
- * Music
- * Cinema

Film

E.g.

Au Revoir les Enfants

La Haïne

L'Auberge Espagnole

Literary Texts

E.g.

Kiffe kiffe demain

Un Secret

No et Moi

Quotes from past students:

“It's an impressive achievement to speak a foreign language and you'll have better options for your future! “

