



FRENCH



AQA COURSE OVERVIEW

The course will focus on four main themes in the French-speaking world; Aspects of society: current trends and issues; Artistic culture; Aspects of political life; French cinema and a work of Francophone literature. Students will also have the opportunity to participate in trips and/or exchange visits to France.

HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

There will be three exams (two on paper, one that is speaking). You will answer comprehension questions about audio and written material, translate short texts and write short essays about film and literature. In speaking, you will give a short presentation about a topic of your choice, which will lead into a longer discussion.

Edexcel	Paper 1 Listening, Reading and Translation	Paper 2 Literature, Film and Translation	3 Speaking Exam
Length	2 hours 30 minutes	2 hours	21-23 minutes
Weighting	50%	20%	30%

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You should have GCSE Grade 6 or above. French can be combined with any Arts Subjects, but also with Maths and/or Sciences in order to demonstrate your communication skills. At University, French can be studied as a single degree or, as is becoming increasingly the case, in combination with a business subject, Law or Engineering.

WHY STUDY THIS SUBJECT?



Nearly three quarters of businesses say they value foreign language skills among their employees. Knowledge of French can improve creative, critical thinking and problem solving in English speakers. It also stimulates brain function and memory. Many careers can result from being a French specialist, as well as interpreting, translating and teaching, linguists often work in international law/banking, journalism and broadcasting, publishing or public relations.