

WJEC AS & A Level French

Course Overview

This specification for AS and A level French encourages 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

Course Content

Year 12

AS Level: Leisure and Lifestyles, including travel and tourism, sport, hobbies, entertainment, customs, traditions, healthy living – health and nutrition, diet and exercise; unhealthy living - drugs, aids, smoking, alcohol, etc. The Individual and Society, including relationships and responsibilities, gender issues, youth culture (values, peer groups)

Year 13

A Level: Environmental Issues, including technology, pollution, global warming, transport, energy, nuclear energy, renewable energies, conservation, recycling, sustainability. Social and Political Issues, including the role of the media, racism, immigration social exclusion and integration, terrorism, world of work (employment, commerce, globalization, etc.)

Assessment

AS

Component 1 (30% 12-15 minutes 60 raw marks)

Examiner-led discussion of topics
General conversation

Component 2 (50% 2 hours 100 raw marks)

Listening, Reading and Writing
Listening and Responding
Reading and Responding
Grammar tasks - translation

Component 3 (20% 1h15 40 raw marks)

one essay on one literary work or film

A Level

Component 1 (30% 21-23 minutes 60 raw marks;

research project
Structured Discussion

Component 2 (50% 3 hours 100 raw marks)

Listening Reading and Writing
Listening and Responding
Reading and Responding
Translation English – target language
Guided Studies Essay

Component 3 (20% 2 hours 40 raw marks)

two essays on two literary work and film

Entry Requirements

Minimum 5 A*-C (9-5) including English and Maths plus at least a B grade at GCSE French (higher tier).



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Progression

French AS/A Level combines well with any other subject at A/AS Level, can be studied at university in its own right or in combination with a wide range of other subjects, particularly other languages, Business, British and International Law, Media Studies and any Science. The study of any foreign language develops many transferable skills such as organising, assessing and interpreting both written and spoken information and communicating effectively. It can lead to interesting careers in most sectors: commerce, central government, sales, engineering, European IT contact centres, financial services, marketing, media, public relations, tourism, translating, interpreting, publishing and teaching.

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