



French

Course title – A level French.

Exam board - AQA.

Qualification title - AS and A-level French.

Specification link:

AS - <http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/as-and-a-level/french-7651/specification-at-a-glance>

A-level - <http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/as-and-a-level/french-7652/specification-at-a-glance>

Examinations - Paper 1 – Listening, reading and writing Paper 2 – Writing Paper 3 – Speaking Unit descriptions.

AS

Paper 1 - listening and responding to spoken passages on aspects of French-speaking society and culture. Students will be expected to translate a passage into English.

Paper 2 - assesses the film studied 'Entre les murs' and grammar. Students will be expected to translate a passage into French and write a critical response to aspects such as plot, characterisation, imagery or other stylistic features of the film.

Paper 3 - a 12-14 minute discussion of two sub-themes based on a stimulus cards.

A-Level

Papers 1 & 2 build on the skills and knowledge acquired at AS level. Students will also study 'Kiffe Kiffe Demain', an example of contemporary French literature. Paper 3 involves a 5-6 minute discussion of a sub-theme as well as a 12 minute presentation and discussion on an Individual Research Project of the student's choice.

Entry Requirements - 5 GCSEs at 9-4, including a minimum of a grade 6 in French. A grade 6 in English language and literature would also be advantageous.

Possible progression routes - Language skills are in demand and can be used in almost any career, particularly within businesses that trade internationally.

Equipment required - Access to a computer to use online resources, your own copy of the novel to study at A level and possibly your own Bescherelle French grammar book.

Other relevant information -Studying AS and A-level French at Launceston College also means that each student will receive weekly one to one speaking practice with our French assistant. The opportunity will also be offered for students to take part in a mini-assistantship in a primary school in France.

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