# French A-LEVEL

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- French is spoken by 74 million people across the globe; it is a powerful skill to have.
- Continuing your French studies will allow you to continue to develop many transferable skills.
- As well as developing such skills you will build upon the knowledge and skills of GCSE to further increase your linguistic competence
- The British Council reported that 49% of UK businesses look for employees who can speak French
- Studying a language at A level opens many doors to you for future study.
- Knowledge of the French language will provide you with a wide variety of career opportunities in the future.

# WHY French?

#### Careers Content Moderator (French) French Speaking Producer TikTok 3.4 \* Aquent 4.0 \* London Remote in London 🖸 £402 a week 🛛 🚔 Temporary contract 🚔 Full-time Additional job details Recent graduates with no experience, but a willingness to learn and capability Remote adapt are welcome to apply. · Development, improvement and maintenance of standards... • Aquent is seeking a passionate and experienced French Speaking Producer to join an online entertainment company for a couple of months contract, with Posted 30+ days ago · More... potential... Posted 26 days ago · More... Legal PA - Bilingual (French Speaking) William James Recruitment 5.0 \* German OR French speaking Video Gaming QA Testers Hybrid remote in Manchester M3 The Language Business Full-time Liverpool Easily apply S Monday to Friday 🖭 £35,000 - £60,000 a year 🛛 🚔 Permanent +1 • Top tier firm are looking to recruit a bilingual French-speaking Legal PA to join • In order to test all games content in the German or French languages, they the Commercial Department in Manchester. wish to recruit German or French speaking Quality Assurance (QA) Testers. Resolving day-to-day problems.

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#### Languages at MI5

Whether spoken by millions or whispered by a few, we know the power of language. MI5 needs people who can speak, understand and listen to a wide range of languages and dialects. The ability to work in one or more language is a vital skill which helps us in our daily efforts to keep the country safe. As a Foreign or English Language Analyst you will be listening to and analysing a wide range of audio material which will assist and support our teams of investigators. Not only do our Foreign Language Analysts listen, translate and analyse information, they also provide expert insight into a country's culture, political landscape and history.

# **AQA** French

A-level a two year course with exam at the end

Grading structure: A\*-U

Prescribed list of literary works and films

Importance of grammar and translation

# A-level French content - AQA



# Film- Au revoir les enfants









# Literature – L'étranger



## Literature – No et moi



# Individual research project

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- Main section of speaking exam
- Student chooses own area of interest
- Must relate to Francophone culture
- Some examples:
- The history and role of Rugby in France.
- How is Paris responding to the climate crisis?
- May 1968- an analysis of the causes and consequences.
- Why is the tradition of the bande dessinée so important in the French speaking world?

### Assessment

- Paper 1 Listening, reading and translation (50%)
- Paper 2 Writing (literature and film) (20%)
- Paper 3 Speaking exam (30%)

## Lesson activities

Discussion from spoken and written texts

Listening with audio and video (gap fill, matching, questions, summary, multi-choice, true/false, etc)

Translation both ways

Grammar exercises (pattern drills, gap fill, etc)

Studying film and literature

ICT-based tasks

Whole class oral work

Information gap pair work

Task-based activities

Games

Extensive reading Individual research (reading and listening) Preparing for assessment Essay writing and technique



# Other Information

# Work experience trip



## Current A level students

- Lessons are very engaging with a mix of different activities
- Topics are related to current world affairs
- It's given me the opportunity to study the language but also grasp an understanding of real world issues in the French speaking world
- I am excited about the ability to live and work in the French speaking world
- I enjoy the varied homework that we are set
- The smaller classes mean that there is more opportunity for interaction with the teacher and other students
- My favourite thing about French A level is when we do debates!