WJEC AS & A LEVEL FRENCH



AS and A Level French encourages students to develop an interest in, and enthusiasm for, language learning. The course allows you to develop a deep understanding of the language in a variety of contexts and genres, as well as empowering you to communicate confidently, clearly and effectively in the language for a range of purposes. Not only does your mastery in the use of the language improve, you also develop awareness and understanding of the contemporary society, cultural background and heritage of countries and communities in the French speaking world.

COURSE CONTENT

Year 12

Social Issues and Trends:

- Being a Young Person in French -Speaking Society.
- · Education in France.

Political, Intellectual and Artistic Culture:

 Understanding the French-Speaking World.

Year 13

Social Issues and Trends:

Diversity and Difference.

Political, Intellectual and Artistic Culture:

 France 1940-1950: The Occupation and Post-war Years -June 1940–May 1945.

ASSESSMENT

AS Level

Component 1 - Speaking: 30%, 12-15 minutes, 60 raw marks. Structured discussion based on two photo cards.

Component 2 - Listening, Reading and Translation: 50%, 2 hours, 100 raw marks.

Component 3 - Critical Response in Writing: 20%, 1h 15 minutes, 40 raw marks. One essay on one literary work or one film.

A Level

Component 1 - Speaking: 30%, 21-23 minutes, 60 raw marks. Research project and structured discussion based on a photo card.

Component 2 - Listening, Reading and Translation: 50%, 2 hours, 100 raw marks.

Component 3 - Critical Response in Writing: 20%, 2 hours, 40 raw marks. Two essays on two literary works and films.

SUBJECT COMBINATIONS

French combines well with many A Level pathways - particularly other language based subjects such as English Language and English Literature. It also pairs well with arts-based subjects such as Film and Fine Art.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

At least 5 GCSEs at grade 5 and above including English & Maths. Plus a grade 6 at GCSE French (higher tier).

PROGRESSION

French 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.

FUTURES

The study of French 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.







