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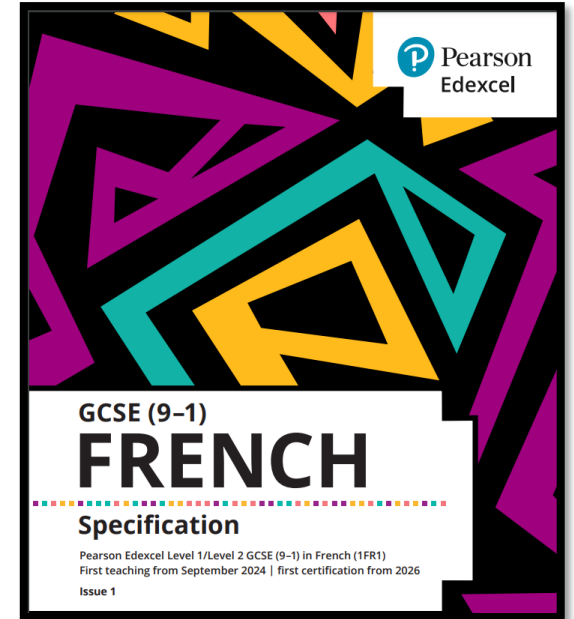
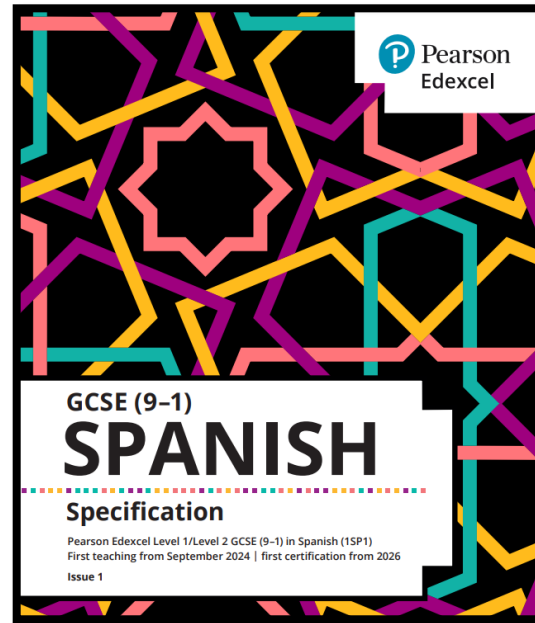
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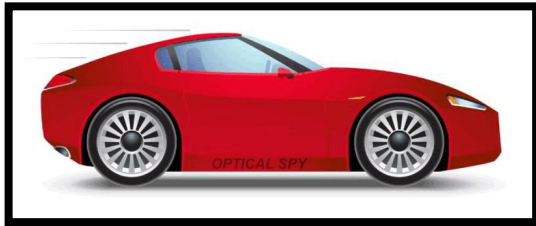


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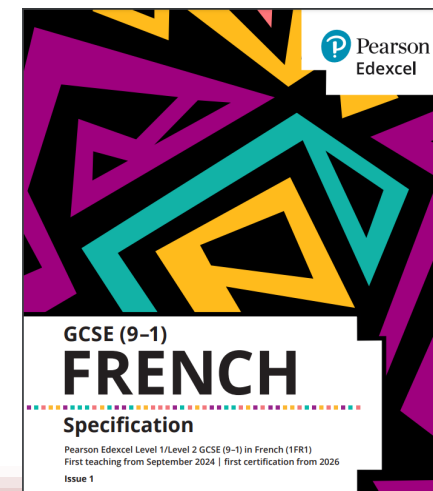
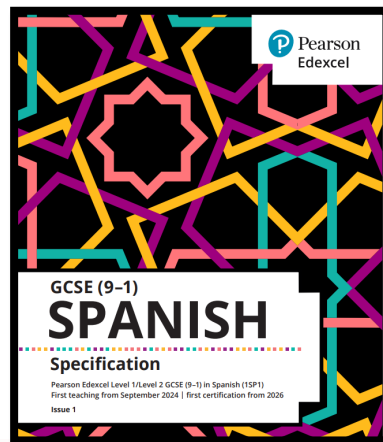


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Studying a language is an essential skill like driving a car.



IT TAKES YOU PLACES!



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What does a language GCSE at Stretford Grammar look like?

Your child can tell you, as they have already started it!

By the end of this year, every year 9 student will have completed **over a third** of their GCSE, giving them a massive advantage.

We will have finished the course by Christmas in Y11, leaving almost two terms **to revise and strengthen your skills** ready for the very best exam success.



More than words - our qualification promotes culture, communication and connection. From the beginning of the course through to the end, we ensure that you understand the world through the language.

Language learning for today's world - we have carefully selected our vocabulary and assessment content to reflect and represent diverse student experiences so that all students can relate to the content.

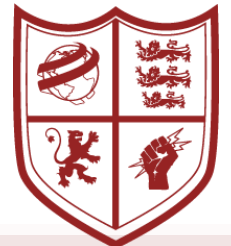
Compassionate assessments in a clear and familiar structure - our assessments are designed to be clear and familiar, with a structure that is easy to understand and follow.

- My personal world
- Lifestyle and wellbeing
- My neighbourhood
- Media and technology
- Studying and my future
- Travel and tourism

family	friends	relationships	equality
physical well-being	mental well-being	food and drink	sports
places in town	shopping	transport	the natural world
environmental issues	social media and gaming	future opportunities (e.g. work, travel)	school
music	TV and film	accommodation	tourist attractions

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Specification
 Pearson Edexcel Level 1/Level 2 GCSE (9-1) in French (1FR1)
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How will my child be assessed?

All end of course exams.

1. 25% Speaking exam (read aloud, RP, Photocard)
2. 25% Listening exam (transcription into TL)
3. 25% Reading exam (translation into English)
4. 25% Writing exam (translation into TL)



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Our MFL department can offer your child at GCSE the following:

1. First places on the trips to France and Spain.
2. Pen pals letters: Restarting a letter exchange with Spanish and French school where every Y9 will a Spanish or French pen pal and both counterparts receive a *real* handwritten letter once a term.
3. Authentic opportunities to use classroom learnt language to communicate.
4. Engaging learning activities that not only strengthen linguistic and communicative skills, but also deepen thinking skills about global issues generally.
5. Personalised support, targeting the areas for development and supporting students to make the best progress possible.
6. A warm, nurturing learning environment where all students are encouraged to be the best they can be.



Are Languages harder than other subjects?

Are GCSE Languages harder than other subjects? No! All GCSEs are tricky! Our results show that students achieve very well in Spanish and French.



Language results 2023 : Old GCSE

7- 9%

P8

Spanish (64) 72%

+1.35

French (47) 61%

+0.75



Progress 8 tells you about the progress that pupils in a school make from the end of primary school to the end of year 11. It is a type of value-added measure, which means that pupils' results are compared to other pupils nationally with similar starting points.





But everyone speaks English?
Can't A.I translate for me?



What percentage of the world's population are **native speakers** of English?

6%



What proportion of the world's population speak **no English** at all?

75%



	2005 baseline
French	251,706
German	101,466
Spanish	57,731
Other Modern	28,182

Table 10: GCSE Entries (Source JCQ)

Percentage of schools

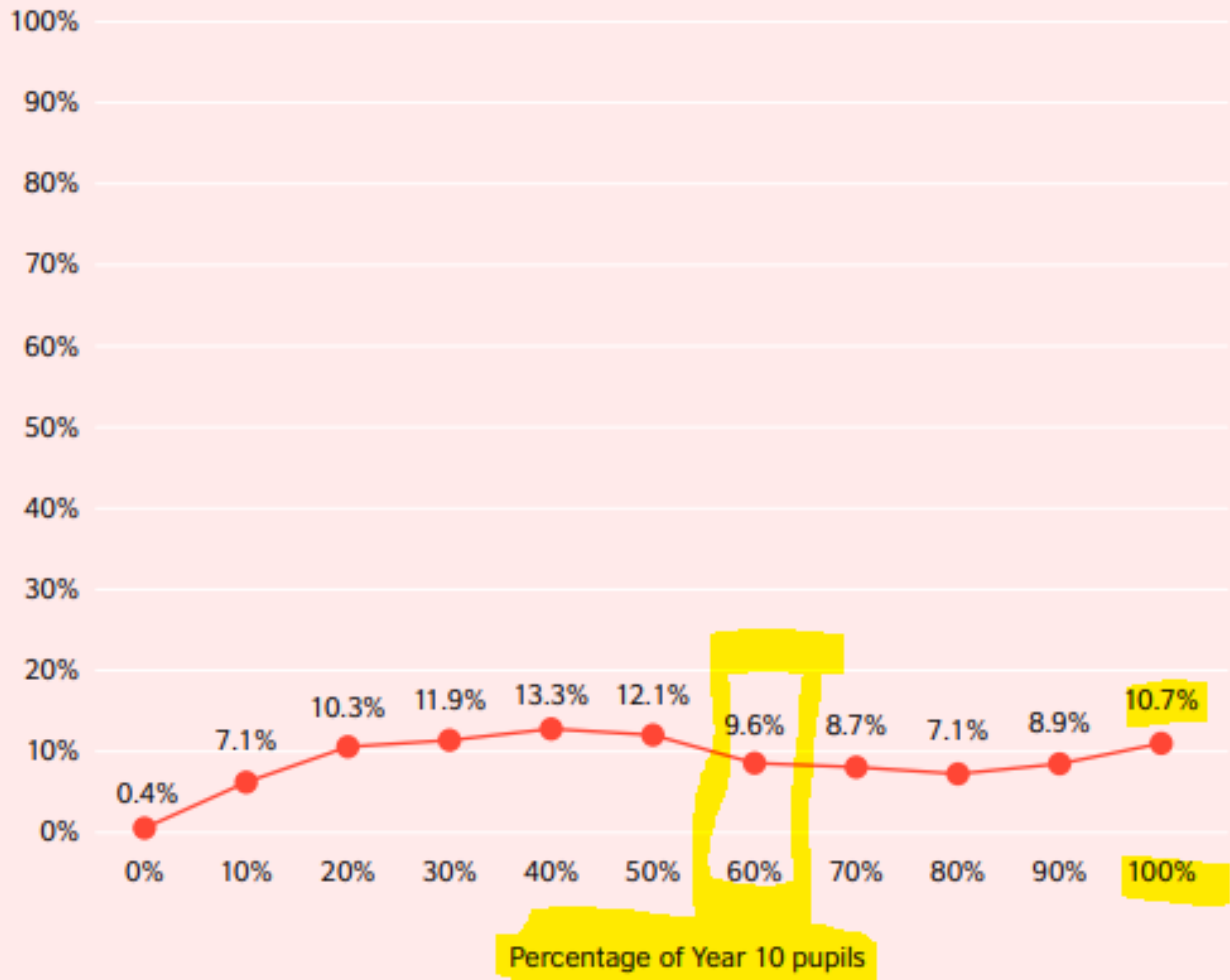
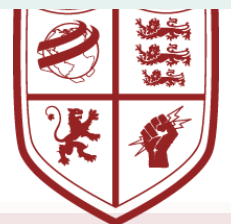


Figure 14: The percentage of Year 10 pupils in responding state schools taking a language for GCSE

Figure 14 shows that in just 10.7 per cent of responding state schools report that all of their pupils are taking a language for GCSE. Figure 15 shows responses to the same question from independent schools, where languages are much more secure at GCSE. As in 2022, our data confirm that there is still a considerable way to go for the government’s ambition of 90 per cent of young people in Year 10 taking a GCSE in a Modern Foreign Language from September 2024.

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How can a language GCSE help your child in later life?

1. Employers love it and they will love you!
2. Russell Group Universities expect a grade 5 (GCSE equivalent of a C).
3. Your cognitive ability improves : memory, multitasking skills, decision making skills and you improve your first language too.
4. It is becoming essential to have more than one language to keep up with today's rapidly increasing economy.
5. Polyglots earn more money than monolingualists.



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Study a language and go places!

