



French

Examination Board: Edexcel

Examination Code: 9FRO

Outline of the Course

We believe languages should appeal to all students. Our Edexcel A Level in French has been developed to inspire all students who have an appreciation of the language, literature, film and culture of the French-speaking world.

Our qualification has a straightforward structure with four engaging themes – Les changements dans la société française; La culture politique et artistique dans les pays francophones; L’immigration et la société multiculturelle française; L’Occupation et la Résistance. The four themes are studied alongside two works (either two literary texts or one literary text and one film) assessed through two externally-examined papers (Papers 1 and 2) and one teacher-examiner conducted speaking assessment (Paper 3).

What will you learn?

Y12 :

Theme 1: Theme 1: *Les changements dans la société française*

Theme 1 is set in the context of France only. This theme covers social issues and trends.

- ***Les changements dans les structures familiales***
Les changements dans les attitudes envers le mariage, les couples et la famille.
- ***L’éducation***
Le système éducatif et les questions estudiantines.
- ***Le monde du travail***
La vie active en France et les attitudes envers le travail; le droit à la grève; l’égalité des sexes.

Theme 2: *La culture politique et artistique dans les pays francophones*

Theme 2 is set in the context of francophone countries and communities. This theme covers artistic culture (through music and festivals and traditions) and political and artistic culture (through media).

- **La musique**

Les changements et les développements; l'impact de la musique sur la culture populaire.

- **Les médias**

La liberté d'expression; la presse écrite et en ligne; l'impact sur la société et la politique.

- **Les festivals et les traditions**

Les festivals, fêtes, coutumes et traditions.

Film Study : Amelie

Y13:

Theme 3: L'immigration et la société multiculturelle française

Theme 3 is set in the context of France only. This theme covers social issues and trends.

- **L'impact positif de l'immigration sur la société française**

Les contributions des immigrés à l'économie et à la culture.

- **Répondre aux défis de l'immigration et l'intégration en France**

Les activités des communautés; la marginalisation et l'aliénation du point de vue des immigrés.

- **L'extrême droite**

La montée du Front National; les leaders du Front National; l'opinion publique.

Theme 4: L'Occupation et la Résistance

Theme 4 is set in the context of France only. This theme covers political culture.

- **La France occupée**

La collaboration; l'antisémitisme.

- **Le régime de Vichy**

Maréchal Pétain et la Révolution nationale.

- **La Résistance**

Jean Moulin, Charles de Gaulle et les femmes de la Résistance; la résistance des français.

Mark Breakdown and Assessment

Paper	Assessment Objectives				Total for all Assessment Objectives
	AO1 %	AO2 %	AO3 %	AO4 %	
Paper 1: Listening, reading and translation	15	25	—	—	40%
Paper 2: Written response to works and translation	—	—	20	10	30%
Paper 3: Speaking	5	5	10	10	30%
Total for GCE A Level	20	30	30	20	100%

Website links

https://qualifications.pearson.com/content/dam/pdf/A%20Level/French/2016/Specification%20and%20sample%20assessments/Specification_GCE_A_level_L3_in_French.pdf

Key Dates

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What can I do after I have completed the course?

Taking French at A-level offers exciting opportunities. It strengthens your language skills and opens doors to careers in international business, diplomacy, tourism, and education. French is spoken worldwide, making it valuable for global communication and travel. With French, you can work as a translator, interpreter, teacher, or in international organizations like the UN. This qualification boosts your university prospects and helps you connect with new cultures. Learning French inspires confidence and prepares you for a bright, global career. Keep aiming high!