

# KS4 French

## Course details

The GCSE qualification in French requires students to:

- develop the ability to listen to and understand spoken French in a range of contexts
- communicate in speech
- read and respond to different types of written language
- communicate in writing for a variety of purposes
- understand and apply a range of vocabulary and structures

## Assessments and examinations

100% external assessment. Students will sit all their exams at the end of the course at either Foundation or Higher level.

**There are 4 exams graded 9-1:**

**Unit 1:** (25% of the total GCSE)

Listening – understanding and responding to different types of spoken language

**Unit 2:** (25% of the total GCSE)

Speaking – communication and interaction in the target language

**Unit 3:** (25% of the total GCSE)

Reading – understanding and responding to different types of written language

**Unit 4:** (25% of the total GCSE)

Writing – communication in writing in the target language

## Content Overview

Speaking, listening, reading and writing assessments will focus on 3 main themes, divided into 4 units of work.

### **Theme 1: Identity and culture**

- Relationships with family and friends; marriage and partnership
- Social media; mobile technology
- Music, cinema, and TV; food and eating out; sport
- France and customs; Francophone festivals

### **Theme 2: Local, national, and global areas of interest**

- Home and where I live
- Charity and voluntary work; healthy and unhealthy living
- Environment; poverty and homelessness
- Holidays and travel; regions of France

### **Theme 3: Current and future study and employment**

- School and subjects
- life at school and college
- Education post 16
- jobs, career choices and ambitious

