

A Level French

| Course Title: A Level French | LARS/QAN Code: 6018727X |
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| Level: Three | Awarding Organisation: AQA |
| Delivery: Classroom based | Start Date: September |
| Location: Headlands School | URL: http://www.headlandsschool.co.uk/ |
| Cost: Covered by EFA funding | Duration: 2 years |
| Full-time or Part-time: Full-time | Attendance: Daytime |

Who is the course for?

This course is for students who want to continue studying French after GCSE. Studying French at A-Level, not only improves your language and communication skills, but it provides you with insights into France's history and culture. If you plan on travelling after school, this knowledge will truly enhance your experience. If you're planning on continuing onto higher education after school, then your knowledge of French will give you the opportunity to take a gap year in various French-speaking countries across the world. Your language skills will also provide you with opportunities to work abroad in summer camps, where you can put your language skills to good use

Entry requirements:

Standard entry requirement for A Level programme, including a minimum of a grade 6 in GCSE French.

What you'll learn:

You'll build on the four skills of Listening, Reading, Writing and Speaking that you began at GCSE, growing your confidence in written and spoken French. You'll develop more sophisticated knowledge of the grammatical system and structure of the language and increase your repertoire of vocabulary, phrases and expressions. You'll get an understanding of how French-Speaking society has been shaped, socially and culturally and how it continues to change through exploring topics such as technological and social change, artistic culture, politics and the influence of the past on present-day French-Speaking communities.

How you'll learn:

In A Level French, you will study the following topics through Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening in French. You will also focus on developing your French grammar skills:

- Media
- Popular Culture
- Cinema, Music, Fashion
- Family/Relationships
- Aspects of Political Life in the French-Speaking world
- Multicultural Society
- Immigration, Integration, Racism
- Contemporary Social Issues
- Wealth and Poverty, Law and Order, Impact of Technical and Scientific Progress
- Literature "No et Moi" and Film "La Haine".

How you'll be assessed:

This qualification is linear, which means you will sit all of your exams at the end of the course.

Paper 1: Listening, Reading and Writing - 50% of A-Level - individual student control of soundtrack (2 hours 30 mins)

Paper 2: Writing - 20% of A-Level - one text and one film, or two texts, chosen from the Specification list (2 hours) Paper 3: Speaking 30% of A-Level - conducted by class teacher - based upon the Individual research Project undertaken throughout the course (21-23 minutes)

Where next:

You could do a language degree or take a subject combined with languages including a year abroad. Graduate linguists are needed in many sectors including business, finance, journalism, teaching, translation, interpreting, travel and tourism. Language skills are useful for jobs and apprenticeships in the travel industry, international trade and logistics, legal and advice services. You'll have transferable skills including communication and cultural awareness that are useful in many varied careers.