

# YEAR 10 GCSE French Curriculum

The GCSE French course is a linear, two-year course with no controlled assessment or coursework, working towards four exams at the end of Year 11 in Listening, Speaking, Reading & Writing

## Core content

Students study all of the following themes on which the assessments are based.

Theme 1: Identity and culture

Theme 2: Local, national, international and global areas of interest

Theme 3: Current and future study and employment



## Scheme of Learning

Autumn Term:

- Theme 1: Me, my family & Friends
- Theme 1: Technology

Spring Term:

- Theme 2: House, Home & Town
- Theme 3: School

Summer Term:

- Revision & preparation for Year 10 Summer Exams
- Theme 1: Free-time activities



## Assessment

GCSE French has a Foundation Tier (grades 1–5) and a Higher Tier (grades 4–9). Students must take all four question papers at the same tier. All question papers must be taken in the same series.

Each paper is worth 25%

**Paper 1:** Listening (Written exam: 35 minutes (Foundation Tier), 45 minutes (Higher Tier))

**Paper 2:** Speaking (7–9 minutes (Foundation Tier) + preparation time, 10–12 minutes (Higher Tier) + preparation time. Includes Roleplay, Photo Card, Conversation)

**Paper 3:** Reading (Written exam: 45 minutes (Foundation Tier), 1 hour (Higher Tier). Includes Translation from French into English.

**Paper 4:** Writing (Written exam: 1 hour (Foundation Tier), 1 hour 15 minutes (Higher Tier). Includes Translation from English into French)

## Grammar & Language Skills:

Verbs: Reflexive, Immediate Future, Future, Present Tense, common irregular verbs, Conditional, Perfect Tense, modal verbs, verbs + infinitive, *il faut* + infinitives

Linguistic skills: Direct Object pronouns, Adjectival agreement, Comparatives & Superlatives, Time phrases, Negatives, giving & justifying opinions