

SUMMER WORK FRENCH

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Specification

603/0071/1

COURSE DETAILS

Examination

The course is examined at the end of Year 12 and as a whole at end of Y13.

Unit 1: Social Issues and Trends (Y12 and Y13).

Students will study three topics within this unit; **Families and citizenship, Youth trends and personal identity and Education and employment opportunities.**

Unit 2: Understanding the French speaking world (Y12 and Y13).

For this unit students will study **Regional culture and heritage in France, Media, art, film and music in the French speaking world**

Prescribed works (Y12 and Y13)

Vercors: Le silence de la Mer (Y13) and **Éric Toledano, Olivier Nakache: Intouchables (Y12)**

Unit 3: Diversity and difference (Y13 only).

In this unit students will study **Migration and integration, cultural identity and marginalization, cultural enrichment and difference and discrimination and diversity.**

Unit 4: France 1940-1950 (Y13 only)

Students will study **June 1940-May 1945, the cultural dimension in occupied France and 1945-1950.**

SUMMER WORK : INTRODUCTION TO YEAR 12

TASK	TOPIC	
1.	LISTENING AND WRITING	Watch 2 films with the French soundtrack and the subtitles in French or in English. It would be fantastic if one of the films was “ Intouchables” directed by Éric Toledano and Olivier Nakashe. Without using any translating software or help, write in French A summary of the story (90 words) Describe 2 characters and how they evolve in each film. (90 words per character)
2.	GRAMMAR	Complete the 2 worksheets on tenses
3.	SPEAKING	Choose 2 subtopics from the cultural enrichment worksheet; Prepare a 1-2 minutes presentation in French per subtopic. You will be able to show us pictures, have 10 key words on your slide but you won't be allowed to read a script. A subtopic could be “Christian Dior” or “ Monaco”
4.	READING	Complete these 2 worksheets on Cultural Heritage and Media, Art and Music. These are the topics you will start with in September.

WIDER READING TO PREPARE FOR COURSE

We have a good collection of books, magazines and BD in the department to lend.

- Antoine de Saint Exupéry : *Le Petit Prince*
- Delphine de Vigan: *No et Moi*
- Joseph Joffo: *Un sac de billes*
- Marcel Pagnol: *La gloire de mon père*
- Anna Gavalda: *Ensemble c'est tout*
- Sempé et Goscinny: *Le petit Nicolas*
- Any bande dessinée (Tintin, Astérix, Petit Spirou, Boule et Bill,...)
- Any French magazine or newspaper

LISTENING

- Discover French music on Spotify. You can discover your own (<https://open.spotify.com/search/musique%20francaise>) or follow mine. I have made two playlists: “La musique francophone, liste de Mme Scott” (which spans 1950 to today) and “La musique francophone contemporaine, liste de Mme Scott (which is music of the last 5 years). All genres are included. You can find it on my Spotify: Biscotte14.
- Find a French song/band/artist you like and complete the gapfills until you can complete ‘advanced’ (or even ‘expert’?!) <https://lyricstraining.com/fr/>
- Find some French language podcasts that you enjoy and listen to them regularly (there are loads on Spotify)
- TV5 monde is a great website (<https://apprendre.tv5monde.com/fr>). I suggest you start with A2 level.
- RFI is another website with a lot of listening especially current affairs (<https://savoirs.rfi.fr/fr/apprendre-enseigner/langue-francaise/journal-en-fran%C3%A7ais-facile>)

FILMS TO WATCH ONLINE

- On Netflix you can watch series like “Call my agent” (goes well with the cinema theme), “Bonfire of destiny” (if you like historical drama), “school life” (to go with the theme of education), “we are family” (to go with the theme of families) or documentaries like “November 13, attack on Paris” (talks about the effects of the Paris terrorist attacks).
- Walter presents <https://www.channel4.com/collection/walter-presents> , a collection of free films and series from all over the world.
- TV5 monde plus <https://www.tv5mondeplus.com/en> , free Francophone films, series and documentaries.

OTHER IDEAS

- Find a French recipe and try it out
- <https://www.culturetheque.com/fr> , it is free but you have to enroll. You can find books, magazines, podcasts .
- Vlog your summer in French, create memes, write a song, a poem or a story – get creative!
- Find out more about other countries across the world which have French as an official language: <https://www.francophonie.org/>
- Spend 10 minutes trying to learn the Départements de France <https://online.seterra.com/en/vgp/3246> Cities in France <https://online.seterra.com/en/vgp/3103> more difficult version: <https://online.seterra.com/en/vgp/3327> Regions of France <https://online.seterra.com/en/vgp/3331>
- Find your preferred online dictionary o www.larousse.com o www.reverso.net o www.WordRef.com - online verb conjugator o www.collinsdictionaries.com o www.bab.la o www.pons.com o www.lexicool.com o <http://dictionary.cambridge.org>
- Find a range of French language learning apps – Which would you recommend and why?
- Put your phone/tablet/gaming console into French