



Subject:	French	
Title/Topic	Format	Length
Paper 1 – Listening	Written paper (multiple choice + written answers)	Foundation = 35 minutes Higher = 45 minutes
Paper 3 – Reading	Written paper (multiple choice + written answers)	Foundation = 45 minutes Higher = 1 hour
Paper 4 – Writing	Written paper	Foundation = 1 hour 10 minutes Higher = 1 hour 15 minutes
Paper 2 - Speaking	Reading aloud and general conversation questions	Foundation = 3-4 minutes Higher = 4-5 minutes

In this Advent assessment I will be asked to show I can...

List of GCSE topics

Theme 1 People and Lifestyle

Unit 1: Identity and relationships with others

Unit 2: Healthy living and lifestyle

Unit 3: Education and work

Theme 2 Popular Culture

Unit 4: Free-time activities

Unit 5: Customs, festivals and celebrations

Unit 6: Celebrity Culture

Theme 3 Communication and the world around us

Unit 7: Travel and tourism, including places of interest

Unit 8: Media and technology

Unit 9: The environment and where people live

Reading and listening – all units covered

- Understanding phrases and vocabulary when I **hear** them and responding to questions about what I have **heard**.
- Understanding phrases and vocabulary when I **see them written down** and responding to questions about what I have **read**.
- **Translating** text from French to English.
- **Transcribing** short sentences.

Foundation Writing – units 1-6

- **Writing 5 sentences** to describe a photo.
- **Writing a 50 word response** which addresses 5 bullet points.
- Completing **5 short grammar tasks**.
- **Translating sentences** from English to French.
- **Writing a 90 word response** which addresses 3 bullet points, using 3 tenses.



Higher Writing – units 1-6

- **Translating sentences** from English to French.
- **Writing a 90 word response** which addresses 3 bullet points, using 3 tenses.
- **Writing a 150 word response** which addresses 2 bullet points, using at least 2 tenses.

Speaking – units 4 and 6

- **Read a short paragraph aloud** from unit 4 or unit 6.
- **Respond to the questions** related to unit 4 or unit 6.

What should I do to revise and prepare for this assessment?

Reading and listening

1. Use your passive vocabulary booklets and vocabulary cards to revise vocabulary from all units, using the look, cover, write, check method to make sure you know what the words and phrases mean in English.
2. Use Kerboodle to practise reading and listening exercises from the online text books.

Writing

1. Revise the vocabulary and phrases from the unit knowledge organisers (1-6) using the look, cover, write, check method to make sure you can write the phrases in French.
2. Revise the 44 fantastic phrases (foundation)/75 fantastic phrases (higher) from the unit knowledge organisers.
3. Use the 'livret de grammaire' and verb tables to practise forming and writing verbs in three tenses.
4. Use the PowerPoints on Show My Homework to revise what you need to include in your answers.

Speaking

1. Revise your speaking answers for units 4 and 6. To do this, use the revision techniques below;
 - Read your answer out loud, one sentence at a time. Cover the sentence and practise saying it from memory. Say the next sentence and repeat the process until you can say the whole answer.
 - Write down the first letters of each word and practise saying your answers.
 - Note down a few key words from each answer and practise saying your answer.
 - Record yourself saying your answers and listen back to it.
 - Ask somebody at home to listen to you practising your answers.
 - Remember, your preparation gives you a really good example of the type of answer you should be saying, it doesn't matter if you don't answer the questions exactly as you have written them. The goal is for you to be able to answer the questions confidently and accurately and give a detailed answer (about 10 seconds).



What useful websites/resources could I use to help me prepare?

- Kerboodle – The AQA French text book contains interactive exercises to practise reading, listening and grammar
- Quizlet – To practise vocabulary
- Knowledge organisers
- Passive vocabulary booklets (all units)
- Passive vocabulary flash cards
- Livret de grammaire
- Fantastic phrases sheets
- Verb tables