

French Subject Overview – Year 11

Students build upon the foundations of GCSE learning in Year 10, with an increased emphasis on exam-ready skills. The skills-based focus, alongside carefully sequenced topics equip students with the transferable skills to continue into further language study or for the world of employment.

	Half Term 1	Half Term 2	Half Term 3	Half Term 4	Half Term 5
Knowledge & Skills	<p>Post-16 education (18 lessons)</p> <p>Apply several future tense verb forms to describe your plans after school and evaluate advantages & disadvantages of post-16 pathways.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p>Checkpoint 1 Listening & reading assessment</p> </div> <p>Apply past tense verb forms to describe recent work experience and job preferences.</p> <p>Healthy living & lifestyle (6 Lessons)</p> <p>Describing meals and foods, using partitive articles and object pronouns, to understand and provide advice on healthy choices.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p>Assessment 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 90-word essay [F] • 150-word essay [H] • Translation into French • 50-word essay [F] • Describe a photo [F] • Gap-fill [F] </div>	<p>Healthy living & lifestyle (12 lessons)</p> <p>Apply modal verbs to describe healthy & unhealthy lifestyle choices. Use this knowledge to give advice to others on these choices.</p> <p>Master the simple future tense to describe how you will maintain good mental health and improve your lifestyle further.</p> <p>The environment (9 Lessons)</p> <p>Apply present tense verbs (all forms) with complex infinitive structures to describe environmental problems and solutions.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p>Assessment 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mock GCSE exams in listening, reading, writing and speaking (all topics studied) </div>	<p>Customs, festivals & celebrations (6 Lessons)</p> <p>Explore events in the Francophone world using complex noun and infinitive structures.</p> <p>Qualities of a good friend (6 Lessons)</p> <p>Master adjectival agreement with a focus on translation into French.</p> <p>What do you do? (6 Lessons)</p> <p>Apply verbs in all three tenses to describe your free time activities.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p>Assessment 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 90-word essay [F] • 150-word essay [H] • Translation into French </div>	<p>Exam ready</p> <p>These lessons will be bespoke to the needs of each class to best support their revision towards the final GCSE exams.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p>Checkpoint 2 Listening & reading assessment</p> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0; background-color: yellow;"> <p>GCSE Speaking exam (April 2026)</p> </div>	<p>Exam ready</p> <p>These lessons will be bespoke to the needs of each class to best support their revision towards the final GCSE exams.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0; background-color: yellow;"> <p>GCSE Listening, Reading & Writing exams (May/June 2026)</p> </div>
	Beyond The Curriculum	<p>Browse websites of local colleges and universities to discover which careers are open to you with a languages qualification:</p> <p>Greenhead College Huddersfield New College Trinity Sixth Form University of Huddersfield</p>	<p>Watch 'French No Go Zone', a documentary in French about social issues in French suburbs. French No-Go-Zone: How the Suburbs became Dangerous Ghetton ENDEVR Documentary</p>	<p>Browse articles on '20minutes.fr' to build your reading comprehension skills. Once you have chosen an article to read, translate this into English. 20 Minutes - Toute l'actualité en direct et les dernières infos en continu</p>	