

French Curriculum Overview

Below is a curriculum overview, showing what is taught at each stage of the year.

	Cycle 1	Cycle 2	Cycle 3
Year 7	Topic: Self and family	Topic: School life	Topic: Free Time
	Overview: students will be able to introduce themselves, describe family members, recognise cognates, adapt a model, mimic the teacher in pronunciation. Grammar: introduction to French	Overview: students will be able to describe their school, say what they like /don't like, give reasons why, describe their uniform, say what's in their bag, describe their teachers, talk about school rules, use infinitive structures, talk about primary school.	Overview: students will be able to say what they do in their free time, give opinions about hobbies, say what the weather is like, say what they do in different weather conditions, say what time they do things, say what they did last weekend, make weekend plans, use the immediate future.
	phonics, cognates + semi-cognates, use of accents, noun, verb, adjective, adjectival agreements, present tense paradigm of an -er verb (habiter), s'appeler, avoir and être key (1st-3rd person singular),	Grammar: c'est/ce n'est pas, il y a/il n'y a pas, opinion + noun or infinitive, present tense of -er verbs (aimer/detester), comparative (plus/moinsque), infinitive structures (rules), imperfect tense phrases (c'était, il y avait), definite + indefinite articles	Grammar : jouer, faire (irregular verb), avant de, time phrases, du/de la/des, adverbs of frequency, immediate future, perfect tense phrases, quand/si + weather expressions
	possessive adjectives, negative (nepas)	Vocabulary: f acilities in school, school subjects, opinions, clothing, colours, connectives (et,	Vocabulary : free time activities, sports, time, time expressions, weather
	Vocabulary: greetings, nationalities/languages, numbers 1-31 (age, dates), alphabet, months	parce que, mais aussi), adjectives (to describe subjects + teachers), school rules	Mid-Cycle Assessment: reading comprehension, adapting a model text
	and days of week, countries, family members, personality adjectives, physical description	Mid-Cycle Assessment: translation into French, 50-word writing task	Assessment Week: dictation, 50-word writing task
	Mid-Cycle Assessment: n/a	Assessment Week: listening, dictation, reading, translation into French	



Assessment Week: translation into French, translation into English, dictation, 50-word writing task

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Year 8	Topic: Where I live	Topic: Healthy Living	Topic: Holidays and festivals
8	Overview: students will be able to talk about where they live, describe their home, make descriptions + contrasts, name places in the town and activities to do there, talk about last and next weekend, arrange to go out. Grammar: regular -er verbs, il y a / il n'y a pas, further adjectives, prepositions au/à la/aux, present tense of avoir, infinitive use with on peut, present tense of pouvoir, vouloir, 3 time frames, comparatives + superlatives, où (subordinate clauses) Vocabulary: places to live, rooms of house, furniture, places in town, activities in town, directions, arranging to go out (days, times) Mid-Cycle Assessment: translation	Overview: students will be able to talk about what they eat and drink, their food preferences, what do they do to stay fit and healthy, past habits, future plans for healthy living, daily routine Grammar: manger, boire, expressions of frequency, reflexive verbs, present tense -er verbs, present of faire, imperfect tense, immediate future, likes + dislikes Vocabulary: food and drink, sports, daily routine, time, time expressions, adverbs of frequency, negative words, Mid-Cycle Assessment: reading comprehension, adapting a model text Assessment Week: listening, dictation, reading, translation into English	Overview: students will be able to talk about holiday destinations, travel, the environment, rtake part in role plays, describe last year's holiday, talk about festivals, describe future plans Grammar: aller in the perfect tense, perfect tense with avoir, sequencers, conditional tense, infinitive structures to talk about the future, present of -re and -ir verbs, immediate future, imperfect phrases, comparatives + superlatives Vocabulary: countries + holiday destinations, forms of transport, environmental issues, festivals, holiday items, leisure activities, role play vocabulary (hotel, restaurant, tourist office) Mid-Cycle Assessment: translation into French, 50-word writing task Assessment Week: dictation, 90-word writing task (based on all 3 cycles)
	into French, 50-word writing task		



Assessment Week: listening, dictation, reading, translation into French

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Year 9	Topic: Relationships	Topic: Technology	Topic: Leisure
	Overview: students can describe relationships with others, describe family and friends, talk about future plans, discuss future relationship choices	Overview: students can talk about the use of social media, discuss the pros and cons of social media, discuss the uses of mobile technology, discuss the benefits and dangers of mobile technology	Overview: students can talk about free-time activities in the past, talk about different sports and leisure activities, express preferences, talk about different cuisines and eating out, order a meal, discuss world food and eating habits.
	Grammar: reflexive verbs, agreement + position of adjectives, object pronouns, comparative + superlatives, immediate future	Grammar: present tense of common regular and irregular verbs, grâce a, using 'on', pronouns moi, toi, lui, elle, il est possible que + subjunctive Vocabulary: published AQA vocabulary list	Grammar: perfect tense of regular verbs, perfect tense with être, revision of the future tense, time phrases, verbs followed by infinitives, using 'en' and 'y', demonstrative + emphatic pronouns, complex negatives, quand, lorsque, si, opinion
	Vocabulary: published AQA vocabulary list	Mid-Cycle Assessment: 90-word writing task	verbs
	Mid-Cycle Assessment: 90-word	Assessment Week: listening, reading,	Mid-Cycle Assessment: 90-word writing task
	writing task	translation, role play	Assessment Week: listening, reading, translation, role play
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Year 10	Topic: Festivals	Topic: Home and Region, Holidays	Topic: Social and Global Issues
	Overview: students can, talk about how they celebrate events, discuss what traditions mean to them, describe international festivals and events Grammar: reflexive verbs in the perfect tense, prepositions with towns/countries, perfect infinitive, imperfect tense Vocabulary: published AQA vocabulary list Mid-Cycle Assessment: 90-word writing task Assessment Week: listening, reading, translation, role play	Overview: students can describe where they live, talk about their ideal home, describe what a town is like, say what there is to see/do, describe a region, talk about holiday preferences, discuss holidays in detail, talk about visiting different places in France, use three time frames together Grammar: negative phrases followed by de, partitive article, conditional tense, demonstrative adjectives, prepositions, possessive pronouns, comparative/superlative, sequencing words, depuis + present tense, pronoun 'y', revision of using perfect + imperfect together, après avoir/être + past participle, venir de + infinitive Vocabulary: published AQA vocabulary list Mid-Cycle Assessment: 50 + 90-word (Foundation) or 90 + 150 word (Higher) writing tasks Assessment Week: listening, reading, translation, photo card	Overview: students can describe charity work, understand the importance of charities, compare old and new health habits, discuss environmental problems + solutions, discuss global issues, discuss inequality + poverty, show an understanding of problems affecting TL speaking countries Grammar: conditional of vouloir and aimer, en + present participle, vouloir que + subjunctive, using ce que, imperfect of être, avoir, + faire, expresssions of quantity, pluperfect tense, il vaut/il vaudriat mieux, revision of negative constructions, si + present tense, si + present + future, verbs of possibility, permettre de + infinitive, subjunctive Vocabulary: published AQA vocabulary list Mid-Cycle Assessment: 50 + 90-word (Foundation) or 90 + 150 word (Higher) writing tasks Assessment Week: GCSE mocks (Listening, Reading, Writing), Speaking (role play, photo card 1 x conversation topic)



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Year 11	Topic: Education and Work	Topic: Revision	Topic: Revision
11	Overview: students can describe a school day, describe school life in different countries, talk about school rules and uniform, talk about their ideal school, talk about future options, discuss the differences between university and apprenticeships, look for and apply for jobs, talk about the advantages and disadvantages of different jobs Grammar: perfect tense, emphatic pronouns, adjectives of time and place, pouvoir, vouloir, devoir, il faut, conditional, time phrases,	Overview: students will review the GCSE topic areas and core grammar in preparation for their examinations: 1. Relationships 2. Technology 3. Leisure 4. Festivals 5. Home and region 6. Social issues 7. Global issues 8. Holidays 9. Education 10. Work Vocabulary: published AQA vocabulary list	Overview: students will review the GCSE topic areas and core grammar in preparation for their examinations: 1. Relationships 2. Technology 3. Leisure 4. Festivals 5. Home and region 6. Social issues 7. Global issues 8. Holidays 9. Education 10. Work Vocabulary: published AQA vocabulary list
	imperfect tense, si + present tense, quand + future, comparatives and superlatives, passive voice Vocabulary: published AQA vocabulary list Mid-Cycle Assessment: Listening, Reading, Writing, conversation Assessment Week: GCSE mocks (Listening, Reading, Writing)	Mid-Cycle Assessment: GCSE Speaking mock (role play, photo card, conversation) Assessment Week: GCSE mocks (Listening, Reading, Writing)	GCSE examinations: Listening, Speaking, Reading, Writing

