

FRENCH: HIGHER

Why French?

The purpose of this course is to enable you to develop your ability to use the French language in useful and relevant contexts. The four skill areas are listening, speaking, reading and writing. In addition, the course provides you with knowledge of France, other French speaking countries and the customs and way of life of their people.

Since the establishment of the Single European Market in 1992, many companies require employees who are fluent in one or more European language. Higher French is therefore an extremely useful course for a variety of career paths. It is also valuable for your general education and personal development.

Entry to the course

This is at the discretion of the school/college but you would normally be expected to have attained one of the following

- National 5 qualification in French
- An equivalent qualification.

Course Outline

The Course consists of one compulsory 80 unit and one 40 hour unit taken from a choice of two options, plus 40 hours flexible time.

Compulsory Unit

Language contexts:

This unit is designed to build on your previous learning and increase your skills in the language. You will learn to express your point of view and exchange ideas with increasing confidence and accuracy. The contexts for learning are:

- *Society*
- *Learning*
- *Education*
- *Employability*
- *Culture*

Assessment

The Course is assessed by a combination of internal assessment by your teacher/lecturer and an external examination by the SQA. An Oral assessment of Speaking and Listening is internally assessed and moderated by the SQA, this is the Added Value Unit.

Progression

Successful completion of this course may lead to:

Advanced Higher in

- Modern Languages

Education (HNC/HND/Degree); Employment in

- Arts, Social Science & Religion
- Hospitality, Catering & Tourism
- Languages
- Law

HOMEWORK

Homework is an essential part of the French Higher as it supports the learning in the class and allows the pupil to progress successfully to the next stage. Apart from the homework tasks given by the class teacher, all pupils are expected to memorise vocabulary, good phrases and grammar regularly at home.

Further homework guidelines can be found on the school website.

Further advice and information on these options is available from your Subject Teacher, Home Area Principal Teacher and Careers Adviser.