



L'introduction du français au niveau A Level

Travail d'été



Congratulations on choosing to study French for your A Levels at QE! We are looking forward to having you with us! The best way to prepare yourself is to ensure that you have a good grasp of the vocabulary and grammatical structures which you have already used at GCSE. Thorough revision of these over the summer will make you more confident when you start the course in September and prepare you for a more independent approach to learning

A Level Topics

Year 1	Unit 1 – The changing family
	Unit 2 – The cybersociety
	Unit 3 – Volunteering
	Unit 4 – Material and immaterial cultural heritage
	Unit 5 – French cinema
	Unit 6 – French music
	Study of a film: <i>Un long dimanche de fiançailles</i> by Jean-Pierre Jeunet
Year 2	Unit 1 – The diverse society
	Unit 2 – Life for the marginalised
	Unit 3 – Teenagers and the right to vote
	Unit 4 – How criminals are treated
	Unit 5 – Strikes and protests
	Unit 6 – Politics and Immigration
	Study of a novel: <i>No et moi</i> by Delphine de Vigan
	My independent research project (IRP)



So, how do I get prepared?

Grammar Revision

We cannot stress enough the importance of knowing basic grammar. Here is a checklist of things for you to work on over the summer. Highlight them off when you're done!

Tenses of regular verbs	Regular –er, -ir and –re verbs, in all persons <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Present tense- Perfect tense- Imperfect tense- Near future tense- Simple future tense- Conditional tense
Tenses of common irregular verbs	Irregular verbs, including: (eg: aller, avoir, devoir, être, faire pouvoir, vouloir), in all persons <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Present tense- Perfect tense- Imperfect tense- Near future tense- Simple future tense- Conditional tense
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Adjective agreements- Giving and justifying your opinion (&disagreeing with others!)- Complex language including: time phrases, structuring phrases- Brownie point phrases, including: après avoir/être, the present participle, comparatives, superlatives, negatives

Year 11 French: A level French preparation: Menu of Activities

Compulsory tasks for A Level French

Article	Guidance	Done?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Write a 150 word article entitled <i>Pourquoi aller en France?</i> <p>This is the same length as the 150-word writing task at GCSE, so you should be good at this by now!</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Make this article as interesting as possible, using varied vocabulary and experiment with a range of structures and avoiding repetition. You will be assessed on: the content; range of vocabulary and structures; and accuracy of your article. Please double space your answer 	<input type="checkbox"/>

Presentation	Guidance	Done?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prepare an oral presentation lasting no longer than 5 minutes. You should speak about an aspect of one of the following topics based on a French speaking country of your choice (e.g: France, Belgium, Switzerland, Quebec, Algeria, Morocco, and Tunisia): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - family structures; - the nature of volunteering; - music; (a singer? a band? a style?) - cinema; (a film? a director? an actor?) - cultural heritage (a place? aspect of culture?) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prepare a Google slides presentation ready to deliver in September. We will be looking for quality of language and content. You should not simply expect to read out the information on your presentation – but actively present it. Don't be afraid to simplify language rather than reading out complicated gobbledegook! You are not expected to be a native speaker! 	<input type="checkbox"/>

Grammar Activities	Where to find this	Done?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Make notes on and work through the interactive activities on tenses (present, perfect, imperfect, conditional, future) and other aspects, including: adjective agreements, present participle, comparative, superlative, negatives) <p>5 minutes per day is fine as long as you do it often enough!</p>	https://languagesonline.org.uk/Hotpotatoes/frenchindex.html#Grammar	<input type="checkbox"/>

Vocabulary learning	Where to find this	Done?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You should ensure you know the vocabulary for the first two modules you will study for A Level. You will find these topics build on topics you have already done at GCSE, so many of the words won't be new. Phew! 	Family module vocab: https://quizlet.c om/gb/411047484/aqa-a-level-french-familyflash-cards/	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Internet module vocab: https://quizlet.c om/gb/411047559/aqa-a-level-french-cybersociety-flash-cards/	<input type="checkbox"/>

Optional: Extension tasks for A Level French

Extras!	Where to find this	Done?
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ LyricsTraining - take an opportunity to listen to some French songs, discover new artists and practise your French listening skills along the way!	https://lyricstraining.com/fr/	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Visites Virtuelles - visit French monuments from the comfort of your chair! This will be useful for our "cultural heritage" module.	http://www.inside360.fr/visitesvirtuelles-lieux/	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ France TV Info – Watch some news reports in French	https://www.francetvinfo.fr/images/videos/	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Find an article related to either 'French family life' (inc: marriages, divorces, single-parent families, single-sex parent families) or an article on the internet (inc: advantages, disadvantages, apps, young people spending time online, etc). <p>Print it off. Write a summary of what you've read in 70 words of French.</p>	www.headlang.com (register then browse the articles)	<input type="checkbox"/>

Appendix 1: Resources to Buy

(Second hand copies should be fine!)

For Year 12

- AQA Year 1 French Textbook (OUP)
(Online subscription will be provided, but you can buy a paper copy if you prefer this method of working)

https://www.amazon.co.uk/Level-Year-French-Student-Book/dp/0198366884/ref=sr_1_1?keywords=aqa+a+level+year+1&qid=1558619270&s=gateway&sr=8-1

- Grammar workbook

https://www.amazon.co.uk/%C3%89lan-Grammar-Workbook-CDElan/dp/019915340X/ref=dp_ob_title_bk

- **Later in the year:** DVD: Un long dimanche de fiançailles (A Very Long Engagement)
https://www.amazon.co.uk/gp/offer-listing/B000BW7I2U/ref=tmm_dvd_used_olp_0?ie=UTF8&condition=used&qid=1717442882&sr=1-1

For Year 13

Essential:

- AQA Year 2 French Textbook (OUP)
(Online subscription will be provided, but you can buy a paper copy if you prefer this method of working)

https://www.amazon.co.uk/Level-Year-French-Student-Book/dp/019836685X/ref=sr_1_1?keywords=year+2+french+aqa&qid=1558618912&s=gateway&sr=8-1

- Book: No et moi

https://www.amazon.co.uk/No-moi-Litt%C3%A9rature-Delphine-Vigan/dp/225312480X/ref=sr_1_1?keywords=no+et+moi&qid=1558619360&s=gateway&sr=8-1

If desired

- Book: No and me (English version)
<https://www.amazon.co.uk/No-Me-Delphine-Vigan/dp/0747599645>

- Book: No et moi study guide

https://www.amazon.co.uk/Modern-Languages-Study-Guideslevel/dp/1471890074/ref=sr_1_2?keywords=no+et+moi&qid=1558619378&s=gateway&sr=8-2