



# PARK HIGH SCHOOL

## French

Exam Board: AQA

Course Specification: 7652

Qualification obtained: AQA Advanced Level GCE in French

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### Subject Overview:

The A Level builds on the knowledge, understanding and skills gained at GCSE. It constitutes an integrated study with a focus on language, culture, and society. It fosters a range of transferable skills including communication, critical thinking, research skills and creativity, which are valuable to the individual and society. Students must also study one film and one book, appreciating, analysing and being able to respond critically in writing in French to the work they have studied. The content is suitable for students who wish to progress to employment or to further study.

**Assessment percentage Exam:** 100%

### Progression Routes:

Post-18 study: Languages are considered by the Russell Group as a “facilitating” subject for degree courses. These are subjects which are preferred or required as they leave open a wide range of options for university study.

Post-18 employment: Languages are an invaluable skill to have. Having a language can increase your salary from 8 to 20% and gives you a head start on other potential employees.

(Source: [http://www.whystudylanguages.ac.uk/post16/why\\_languages/#toc\\_1](http://www.whystudylanguages.ac.uk/post16/why_languages/#toc_1))

### GCSE Subject Exam results minimum requirements:

- A Grade 6 in *French*
- At least 6 other GCSE subjects with Grade 4s. These **MUST** include *English Language* and *Mathematics*.

### Complementary learning:

- English
- Psychology
- Geography
- Politics
- History
- Sociology
- Engineering

## Year 12

Subject content areas are:

- The changing nature of family
- Cyberspace
- The role of voluntary work
- Local, regional, and national cultural heritage
- Music
- Film
- Film study
- Independent research project

## Year 13

Subject content areas are:

- Diversity
- Integration
- The justice system
- Teenagers and political commitment
- Politics and immigration
- Popular movements
- Study of a work of literature

## Assessment

Is 100% Exam.

Unit Code	Unit Title	Assessment Details	Weighting
7962/1	Listening, Reading, and Writing	Written Examination: 100 marks, 2hr 30min	50%
7962/2	Writing	Written Examination: 80 marks, 2hr	20%
7962/3	Speaking	Oral Exam: 60 marks, 21–23 minutes	30%

## Additional information

### Course specific equipment:

- A4 Lever Arch Folder
- Paper

### Essential Reading Material:

AQA a Level Year 1 and AS French Student Book

AQA A Level Year 2 French Student Book

AQA A Level French: Grammar & Translation Workbook

Collins Easy Learning French Verbs

### Recommended resources:

<http://www.tv5monde.com/>

<http://apprendre.tv5monde.com/>

Culturethèque (The French Institutes free media resources)

### Enrichment:

British Film Institute Study Day £10

Study trip to France (Optional)