

GCSE French				Exams Listening/Speaking/Reading/Writing – Year 11
Examination Details				How to revise for this subject
Paper Titles	Type	Time	%Marks	
Listening	Listening and understanding	35mins (F) 45mins (H)	25%	Speaking test <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Prepare your material in class <input type="checkbox"/> Ask your teacher to record it <input type="checkbox"/> Spend time learning the material & practising at home <input type="checkbox"/> Make use of after school sessions to revise with your Teacher Writing test <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Prepare your material in class <input type="checkbox"/> Ask your teacher to record it <input type="checkbox"/> Spend time learning the material & practising at home <input type="checkbox"/> Make use of after school sessions to revise with your Teacher Listening & reading tests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Learn key vocabulary using your preferred learning style <input type="checkbox"/> Test yourself and ask others to test you on vocabulary <input type="checkbox"/> Use elearning sites listed below on a regular basis Revision Aids <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Textivate links from teacher <input type="checkbox"/> Red Snapper French – see teacher <input type="checkbox"/> http://www.fluentu.com/french/blog/french-podcasts <input type="checkbox"/> www.linguascope.com – see teacher <input type="checkbox"/> BBC Bitesize GCSE French <input type="checkbox"/> Quizlet <input type="checkbox"/> Memrise
Reading	Reading, understanding and translation	45mins (F) 60mins (H)	25%	
Speaking	Role Play Picture description Conversation	7-12 Mins	25%	
Writing	Writing understanding and translation	70-80 mins	25%	
Level of Entry: GCSE (Higher 9 - 4, Foundation 5 - 1)				
Equipment Needed: 2 pens Dictionary not allowed in Writing and Speaking exam A4 notes made during the Speaking exam				
Topics to Revise: Theme: Identity and culture Who am I? Daily life Cultural life Theme: Local area, holiday and travel Holidays Travel and tourist transactions Town, region and country Theme: School What school is like School activities Theme: Future aspirations, study and work Using languages beyond the classroom Ambitions Work Theme: International and global dimension Bringing the world together Environmental issues				Dangers to avoid – What the examiners have said can reduce marks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Incorrect use of tenses in speaking & writing exams <input type="checkbox"/> Not answering in full sentences (with a verb) in the speaking & writing exam <input type="checkbox"/> Poor preparation for the speaking & writing exam <input type="checkbox"/> Not including enough detail in the speaking and writing exams <input type="checkbox"/> Answering the question in the wrong language <input type="checkbox"/> Not reading the questions properly in the Reading & Listening exam
When to start revising:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> For the speaking exam, students should start revising as soon as they start preparing paragraphs in class. <input type="checkbox"/> It is vital students spend the week prior to the speaking exam revising as much as possible. <input type="checkbox"/> Students can begin revising for the Reading & Listening exam as soon as they want into the course. 				How your class teacher will help during the revision period <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Period 6 sessions by appointment to support students in preparation for exams <input type="checkbox"/> Teachers will record material to help you learn material for speaking exams <input type="checkbox"/> Timed practice in listening and reading papers will be carried out during the revision period <input type="checkbox"/> You will receive exam hints, tips and techniques for sitting the exam