

French – Advanced Higher (*This is a campus course– Perth Grammar School – Col E*)

Course Description

The purpose of the Advanced Higher French Course is to develop advanced skills of reading, listening, talking and writing in the contexts of society, learning, employability and culture. The course offers learners opportunities to extend and develop a wide range of skills. Learners will develop advanced language skills of translation, and apply knowledge and understanding of French to a range of contexts.

The work of the course

There are three Units in this course. They are:

A: Understanding Language

In this Unit, learners will develop their understanding of cultural and topic issues in the relevant country / countries in the contexts of society, learning, employability and culture. Learners develop the skills needed to understand French in a wide range of contexts by further developing their reading and listening skills.

B: Using Language

In this Unit, learners will develop their understanding of cultural and topic issues in the relevant country / countries in the contexts of society, learning, employability and culture. Learners develop the skills needed to understand French in a wide range of contexts by further developing their writing and talking skills.

C: Specialist Study

This Unit will develop the skills of critical reading and research in either a literary or language in work context.

Internal Assessment

Learners are required to provide evidence of their reading, listening, talking and writing skills in the modern language and are required to pass one Unit assessment in each of these skills. The assessments are internally assessed and will be resulted with either a pass or a fail.

External Assessment

There is an external exam which accounts for 60% of the Course mark. The exam includes two question papers: 'Reading and Translation' and 'Listening and Discursive Writing'. There is also a Final Talking Performance which is completed under exam conditions and accounts for 25% of the Course mark. Finally the completion of a portfolio is required and this accounts for 15% of the Course mark.