

Exam Format

Paper 1 Listening: Foundation 35 minutes, higher 45 minutes – All themes & topics covered.

Paper 2 Speaking: Students will attend one session of 7-9 minutes at foundation level or one session of 10-12 minutes at higher level, and a supervised preparation time of 12 minutes. All themes and topics covered for the role play and photo card task. For the purposes of these exams only, students will ONLY speak about their chosen theme for the general conversation.

Paper 3 Reading: Foundation 45 minutes, Higher 60 minutes . All themes and topics covered.

Paper 4 writing: Foundation 60 minutes, Higher 75 minutes. All themes and topics covered.

Exam Board

AQA Specification: French 8658,
German 8668, Spanish 8698

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Themes & topics:

Theme 1: Identity and culture (me, my family and friends, technology in everyday life, free time activities, customs and festivals in French/German/Spanish speaking countries)

Theme 2: Local, national, international, and global areas of interest (home, town, neighbourhood & region, social issues, global issues, travel & tourism)

Theme 3: Current and future study and employment (my studies, life at school and college, education Post 16, jobs, career choices and ambitions)

Revision advice

- Using your vocab lists, create a list of the vocabulary you do not know. The spelling of individual words is not essential, you need to be able to recognise and understand the words when you see them written down or hear them during the listening and reading exams.
- Revise the topics individually and thoroughly. Little and often is the best approach. Focus on each topic separately on your vocab list.
- Exam practice workbook – attempt the activities on each page. Follow the instructions provided for mp3 listening tracks.
- Practise reading for detail and reading sections/passages for gist, using any texts from your exam practice workbook.
- Never leave a blank in the reading and listening exams – there is often more than one accepted answer. If in doubt have a guess.

Revision advice continued.....

- Practise speaking aloud at home.
- Practise writing short paragraphs about each topic.
- Revise grammar – in particular recognising tenses – look at www.languagesonline.org.uk to help with grammar explanations and practice.
- Use the revision strategies Mrs Gent discussed with you in assembly, you have been sent a copy of the power point.

Revision Resources

Y11 MFL Teams page – everything is on there!

www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize - reading and listening practice with a focus on higher and foundation tier questions

www.quizlet.com – Lots of vocabulary practice activities (look for AQA vocabulary lists already uploaded on to the site)

www.memrise.com - Lots of vocabulary practice activities (look for AQA vocabulary lists already uploaded on to the site)

www.languagesonline.org.uk - Very useful MFL site for reading and grammar practice

<https://revisionworld.com/gcse-revision> - revision activities and all past exam papers