

MODERN LANGUAGES: FRENCH, GERMAN AND SPANISH

A LEVEL MFL: EDEXCEL

INTRODUCTION

WHO IS THIS COURSE SUITABLE FOR?

If you have attained Grade B or above at GCSE, are interested in languages and communication, and you enjoy learning about other cultures and ways of life, these courses are suitable for you. Similarly, if you are interested in the business world, in travel and tourism, in literature, or in journalism and the media, then studying a Modern Language will be of great benefit.

There are a number of opportunities, within the course, where you can choose your topics or questions to suit your interests. Whether you want to use language for work, for further study, training or for leisure, this course will equip you with the necessary skills and knowledge.

CANDIDATES ARE ENCOURAGED TO:

- Join in the School Exchange, and work experience programmes to gain a useful insight into another culture.
- Develop the knowledge and skills acquired at GCSE and, therefore, use French, German or Spanish in a wide range of contexts
- Enhance their employment prospects, facilitate foreign travel and experience the enjoyment and motivation of improving their linguistic skills.

COURSE CONTENT

PAPER	DURATION	WEIGHTING
Paper 1 - Listening, Reading and Writing Candidates will answer a range of questions based on heard material and on a selection of written stimulus texts. Candidates will also need to translate an unseen passage from the target language into English without using a dictionary.	Written paper: 2 hours	40% 80 marks
Paper 2 - Written Response to Works and Translations Candidates will translate a passage from English into the target language. They will also write an essay on either one or two prescribed literary texts, or one prescribed literary text and a prescribed film.	2 hours and 40 minutes	30% 90 marks
Paper 3 - Speaking Discussion of a sub-theme with the discussion based on stimulus card containing two statements (30 marks). Presentation and discussion of individual research project (42 marks).	21 - 23 minutes	30% 72 marks

LOOKING FURTHER AHEAD

There will be a range of opportunities open to students, where they can continue to use and further develop their language skills and knowledge of contemporary society.

Some students will study degree courses in Languages; others choose to pursue a Higher Education course in another subject, but choose to take an additional language option.

Having an additional language at AS or A2 will further improve your employability. Whether you are interested in continuing your studies or working at home or abroad, a language course at AS or A2 is an excellent step towards achieving your goals.