

## **FRENCH ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES & RESOURCES**

Dear Year 11,

Several resources have been created for you to assist you with your studies at this time and for you to take a look at what is expected to study A Level French.

The first thing to understand is that you **will be expected to be confident in your knowledge and understanding of GCSE Grammar, before starting to explore more complex grammar as you advance into A Level studies**. It is therefore a good idea to revise any Grammar that you are unsure of. You can do this by:

- Going through the Grammar section of the GCSE Edexcel Textbook online and completing any tasks which are useful to you. (Answers can be shared with you once this is done)
- Make sure you have completed all pages from the grammar section of your Higher Translation Practice booklets (access through your Year 11 Google Classroom Page)
- Review any of the GCSE Materials in the folder (Test your knowledge of GCSE Core Vocabulary is secure, review the Successful Writing and Speaking at GCSE) If all of this is secure and you feel confident - you are ready for A level!

**Below is the link you need to access a whole range of new materials put together especially for you to help you revise the core topic vocabulary you covered at GCSE, to deepen your knowledge before A Level studies.**

1. ACCESS TO GCSE ENRICHMENT FOLDER ON GOOGLE DRIVE

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1drNnwaP9jezpmR67Zmx9kilFZWEGF5ou?usp=sharing>

You now have access to hundreds of Worksheets, PowerPoints and links to Video based activities to support your study of GCSE Vocabulary, Grammar and Themes per Module.

2. **GCSE FRENCH WEBSITE ON RM UNIFY**

This contains everything you needed to study at GCSE as well as a lot of new resources, including Video listening tasks which may prove interesting for you to look into.

### **A LEVEL FRENCH SYLLABUS -**

On the next page you will find a brief outline of the topics studied at A Level in Year 12.

**Completing any research on these topics at all will prove very useful when studying A Level French. Starting to extend your range of vocabulary on each topic, by keeping a more advanced and detailed Vocabulary list will also be very worthwhile preparation. Print off any interesting articles / links / infographics you find on these topics.**

**For fun / relaxation / stretch and challenge! - Why not watch a film or French TV series?**

Check out the PP slides containing titles of French-language films available on Amazon and Netflix (in the folder - click on the above link) OR Watch your favourite movie / TV series with French subtitles on! Build your vocabulary in a fun way related to something you find highly enjoyable! Great for improving your listening skills too!

**AS Level Topics Studied - Completing Research into any of these topics would be very useful.**

**Unit 1 - Changes in the family structure**

How has the structure of the family changed in recent years?

What are French people's views on marriage these days (including same-sex marriages?) Do they prefer to live together? What is the divorce rate like?

## **Unit 2 - Education**

Understanding the French Education system, and all the different paths open to students in higher education.

Are French students overly stressed? Do girls succeed more than boys? Are there any stereotypes involving the educational routes girls and boys still choose?

How well do students transition from study into work?

## **Unit 3: The world of work**

Do French people really have a good enough work v personal life balance?

Are French women really equal to men in the world of work? Or are there still areas in which women are struggling to equal men?

Why does France have the reputation of being the no. 1 country in Europe to go on strike?

## **Unit 4: Music! (Go onto YouTube and discover a whole new world of French music!)**

Discover the wonderful world of French music, from golden oldies such as Edith Piaf, Charles Aznavour, George Brassens to more modern pop, rap and Indie artists such as Stromae, Zaz, Maitre Gims and so many more!

What importance does music play in the life of young people today? In other French speaking areas of the world, what is the cultural and historic background and significance of their traditional music?

## **Unit 5: Media**

Should we really have full freedom of speech? Do all French-speaking countries have this right or is media controlled in some French speaking countries?

Is the written press (Newspapers, Magazines etc) under threat from the Internet? Will it disappear one day? How popular is it still?

How have new technology and the internet changed the way in which we access news and information?

## **Unit 6: Festivals and traditions**

Find out about all the wonderful traditions and festivals that happen each year in France and other areas of the French speaking World.

What role do customs and traditions still have in modern society? Are they still important? If so, to whom and why?

If you want to delve into some A level type tasks and take a look at the type of work you will be doing, here is the link to the A LEVEL ENRICHMENT & INDEPENDENT STUDY FOLDER. You can get started looking at A Level vocabulary per topic, or try a few A level style reading/listening comprehension exercises.

[https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1\\_Nzmk139caDuePvG6g27Rf2XcljRLwoC?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1_Nzmk139caDuePvG6g27Rf2XcljRLwoC?usp=sharing)

So, have a look, be creative, get exploring and researching! Most important of all, have fun doing so!

Bonne Continuation! From Miss Cusworth & Mrs. Buckley June 2023.