

Higher French (Course Code: C830 76)

SCQF Level 6 (24 Credit Points)

Why study French?

Learning a new language allows you to connect with different people and enhance your understanding and enjoyment of other cultures.

This course provides opportunities develop your communication, language and literacy skills and aims to give you the confidence and expertise to use these skills in the classroom, in real-life contexts and in the modern working environment.

Being able to speak this widely- spoken international language will be an asset in the business world. France is currently the world's fifth largest economy and an important trading partner of the UK. French is the second most popular learned language in the world after English, and is spoken in around 30 countries including Belgium, Switzerland, Canada and many countries in central and north Africa. It is also one of the official languages of the European Union and the United Nations.

Many companies need employees who are fluent in one or more European languages. Therefore, learning French gives you many options for your future career.

The skills you develop in French are useful in many different career areas such as travel and tourism, law, hospitality, languages, teaching and in trade and industry.

What do I need to get in?

National 5 French

What will I study?

This course offers you the opportunity to develop detailed and complex language skills in French and reflect how this relates to English. You will develop your reading, listening, talking and writing skills in the real-life contexts of Society, Culture, Learning and Employability You will learn how language works and how to express information, opinions and ideas. At higher level you will also develop the skill of translation

Topics are designed to be engaging and relevant and a variety of teaching approaches and media are used. Topics include, media and technology, future plans and careers, healthy living and environmental concerns as well as cultural based activities. You will study a wide range of different types of texts in different media. You will also learn to think critically, creatively and develop cultural awareness.

How will I be assessed?

The course will be graded A to D and will be assessed through two question papers (exams), an assignment and a spoken performance. The question papers and assignment will be marked by SQA and the performance will be marked by your teacher.

Exams :

Paper 1: Reading - Questions in English about a written text in French - 25%

Directed writing - One piece of writing on a chosen scenario of 150–180 words in French - 12.5%.

Paper 2: Listening - One monologue and one conversation, with questions in English - 25%

Assignment writing - One piece of writing of 200–250 words in French on a topic of your choice - 12.5%

Performance talking - You will take part in a conversation with your teacher on at least two different contexts lasting approx. 10 mins - 25%.

Study Materials

- [SQA Past Papers French Higher](#)
- [SQA Specimen Paper \(Reading\) French Higher](#)
- [SQA Specimen Paper \(Directed Writing\) French Higher](#)
- [SQA Specimen Paper \(Listening\) French Higher](#)
- [SQA Understanding Standards French](#)
- [BBC Bitesize French Higher](#)
- [Ushare Study Resources](#)