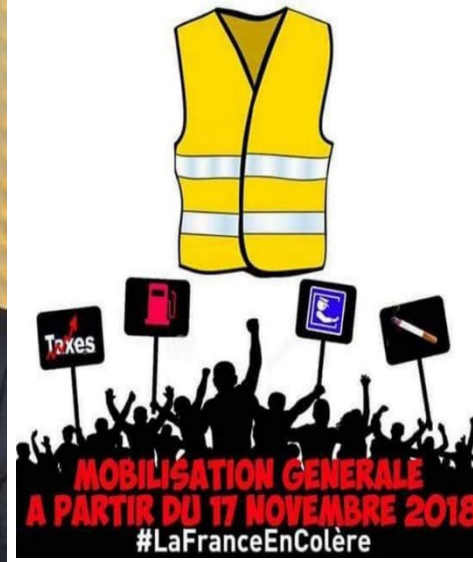




**Bloxham School**

# French

A Level



La fête du  
CINEMA  
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french film festival UK



# Why choose this subject?



- A level French is ideal for students who are interested in what makes people tick.
- It offers a fascinating insight into the modern day and historical culture of French speaking countries – le monde francophone.
- Students move away from transactional GCSE language and learn how to confidently engage in a conversation about politics, French cinema or immigration.
- The broad range of topics encourage curiosity and deeper understanding.
- We explore the worlds of music, cinema, literature and art.



# The nature of the course

- Examination board: AQA
- Course contents:
  - Topics in L6: la famille changeante, la cybersociété, le bénévolat, le patrimoine, la musique contemporaine, le cinéma.
  - Topics in U6: le multiculturalisme, les marginalisés de la société, la criminalité et les prisons, la politique, le syndicalisme et l'immigration.
- There is a study of a novel and film as part of the written exam.
- We work with the Fine Art and History departments to run a cultural trip to Paris.

# Examination structure



- The AQA A Level exam is in three parts.
  - Paper 1 – Listening, Reading and Writing (translation from French to English and English to French).
  - Paper 2 – Writing – two essays in French on the novel and film studied.
  - Paper 3 – Speaking – a stimulus card on one of the A level topics, an Individual Research Project (IRP) on an aspect of modern life from le monde francophone.

# With which subjects can it be combined?



- French can be combined with all manner of different A level subjects: History, Politics, Geography, English Literature, Theology, Spanish, Psychology, Economics, Maths, Art, Business Studies, Sciences. The possibilities are endless.
- French at A Level develops excellent transferable thinking skills which can be applied across curriculum areas and used in Higher Education and the workplace.

# What do we expect from candidates?



Candidates should

- be curious about culture, people, ways of life in different countries, language and communication.
- engage in the contemporary and historical political, artistic, economic and social life of francophone countries.
- complete independent research and keep abreast of issues in the media.

Immersion in the francophone world will be hugely beneficial in terms of breadth and depth of knowledge.

# Higher Education and Careers?



- The world is your oyster if you speak a language in addition to English!
- You will pick up new languages more quickly and can study numerous languages from scratch at university.
- All universities offer a wide range of courses which combine languages with politics, law, business, journalism and the humanities, to name a few.
- There are opportunities for study or work abroad as part of so many varied degree courses.
- Jobs which require language skills are plentiful.
- The financial sector and corporate businesses favour graduates with language skills.

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