

# FRENCH

## STEP UP TO SIXTH FORM



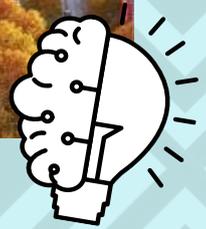
### KEY INFO:

**Faculty:** EBacc

**Course Title:** A-Level French

**Exam Board:** AQA

**Course Textbook:** AQA  
French for A Level Year 1 & AS  
Student Book and AQA French  
for A Level Year 2 Student  
Book



### ACTIVITIES:

Use TV, radio, online newspapers, internet, books and magazines etc. to **develop and widen your vocabulary**. It is very important that, as a linguistic, you start getting used to reading, watching and listening to **authentic resources made by native speakers for a native speaker audience**. Alongside this linguistic exposure, you should also practice and develop your **grammatical understanding** of the language in question.

### WIDER READING:

Like reading in one's native language, reading in a foreign language helps us become more **comfortable** with the words and **grammatical rules** that enable us to express our own thoughts. Seeing the text of new words and concepts visually helps to reinforce our memory of them, while having the ability to stop, think, or look up words in a dictionary allows for more individualized pace of mental absorption. At NES we recommend you watch any type of movie or TV series in target language but here is the list of books you will be able to explore in A level French:

- Le Tartuffe - Molière
- Candide - Voltaire
- Boule de Suif et autres contes de la guerre - Guy de Maupassant
- L'étranger - Albert Camus
- Bonjour tristesse - Françoise Sagan
- Elise ou la vraie vie - Claire Etcherelli
- Un sac de billes - Joseph Joffo
- Kiffe kiffe demain - Faïza Guène
- Un secret - Philippe Grimbert
- No et moi - Delphine de Vigan

## USEFUL ONLINE LINKS:

Newspapers - <https://www.20minutos.fr/>

Newspapers - <https://www.lemonde.fr/>

Radio stations - <http://radio.garden/visit/paris/>

Music - <https://top40-charts.com/chart.php?cid=11>

Vocabulary - <https://www.duolingo.com/>

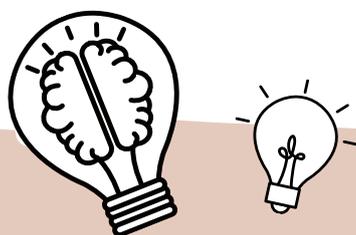
Vocabulary - <https://www.memrise.com/>

Grammar - <https://www.lawlessfrench.com/>

Translation - <https://www.wordreference.com/>

Games - <https://conjuguemos.com/activities/french/verb/1>

Varied - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/french/>



## PODCASTS:

<https://podcasts.apple.com/gb/podcast/creative-language-learning/id780485096?mt=2>

<https://podcast.duolingo.com/french>

<https://www.newsinslowfrench.com/>

<https://www.frenchpod101.com/>

## TV AND FILM:

Watching movies and TV series are deeply recommended if you are learning a new language. First of all, watching movies familiarises you with native speech. Since movies are intended for native speakers, the language used generally reflects authentic speech. **By listening to authentic, native speech, you're more likely to be able to understand actual speech in context.** Additionally, watching movies puts vocabulary **in context**. You won't just have to rely exclusively on the words themselves to understand what's happening. If you don't understand a word, you can often guess based on what's happening and **visual cues**, like characters' facial expressions. Plus, you can see how vocabulary might be used in different situations, helping you understand when different words are **appropriate**. Finally, watching movies is addictive and fun. Once you get on a roll, you'll just want to keep watching them. And when you're watching in your target language, the addictive nature of movies can lead to massive improvements in your language skills.

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- La Haine - Mathieu Kassovitz (1995)
- Les 400 coups - François Truffaut (1959)
- Au revoir les enfants - Louis Malle (1987)
- L'auberge espagnole - Cédric Klapisch (2002)
- Un long dimanche de fiançailles - Jean Jeunet (2004)
- Entre les murs - Laurent Cantet (2008)

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