

## Preparing for A Level French.

Enjoy some great **French films** (watch in French with English subtitles). Not only will this improve your French, but it will also help you to learn more about French culture which is very important in A Level French. Famous French films include La Vie en Rose, À la folie, pas du tout, Les Choristes, Les Intouchables, Le Scaphandre et le Papillon, Un long dimanche de fiançailles, Coco avant Chanel, Amélie.... Enjoy !

Keep up to date with **the news** and build topical vocabulary by reading the news headlines on <https://www.lemonde.fr/> Perhaps click on articles which interest you. [www.wordreference.com](http://www.wordreference.com) is a good online dictionary.

Build **vocabulary**: Via Kerboodle see if you can access the AQA A level French coursebooks. Look at the Year 1 and AS book. Find the **vocabulary lists** at the end of each unit and read and listen to the words. Have a look at some of the tasks you will be completing. You can find many of the vocabulary lists in Quizlet and Blooket (use the sub-headings to search for these)

Make sure you know your **verbs**. **You should know the following tenses before starting Year 12:** present, perfect, imperfect, near future, simple future plus a little pluperfect and subjunctive: verb tables AQA A level Book Year 1 AS French: Page 159.

Practise **grammar** on [www.languagesonline.org.uk](http://www.languagesonline.org.uk) Click on Français (left hand side) and scroll down to grammar. Pay particular attention to the **present tense**, as students frequently make mistakes with this. Also ensure you can accurately use the **Perfect Tense** and know all the verbs which take être. Scroll further down to see **AS resources**, which will build both your **vocabulary** and your **grammatical knowledge**.

Prepare the following work for September:

1. Keep a diary. One entry a week approx. 50 words per entry. Perfect tense for completed actions, imperfect for descriptions).
2. Choose an aspect of French/francophone culture that interests you. For example it could be a famous landmark or tourist attraction, traditional food and drink, fashion, French films, an artist, a famous French historical figure, a French town, city, region or a French speaking country.... It's up to you! Create a PowerPoint presentation of approximately 5 slides with approximately 30 words per slide in French. Use your own words, don't just copy and paste from the internet. Make sure you explain what you like about the person/ thing/ place.
3. Write a 150 word message to your future self about what you will/ would like to achieve in Year 12.