

Group 2

French: Language Acquisition

Course Description

French B is a language acquisition course designed for students with some prior experience of learning French.

The French B course will turn you into a Francophile who truly understands what the French-speaking world and language are all about. The French language will be the context of your journey during which you will learn about and engage in intercultural topics related to the French language and culture.

In French B students learn to communicate in the target language in familiar and unfamiliar contexts. They describe situations, narrate events, make comparisons, explain problems, and state and support their personal opinions on a variety of topics relating to course content. The student is expected to develop receptive, productive and interactive skills in the French language.

5 important skills you will need to develop in this class:

1. Reacting and responding to authentic French written and oral texts on topics of interest.
2. Applying an understanding of the French language and related cultures to new situations.
3. Structure ideas to communicate personal opinions both orally and in written
4. Engaging in conversations to share personal ideas and opinions.
5. Interpreting and analysing different texts to develop an argument and a personal response.

What is the difference between HL and SL?

Both French B SL and HL students learn to communicate in the target language in familiar and unfamiliar contexts. The distinction between French B SL and HL can be seen in the level of competency the student is expected to develop in receptive, productive and interactive skills.

In addition, HL students are required to study two literary works originally written in the target language, as the HL internal assessment is based on the extracts from these works.