

Exam Board



The French and Spanish GCSE exams comprise reading, listening, writing and speaking assessments. These will be taken at the end of Year 11.

-**Listening**: 25%

-**Reading**: 25%

-**Writing**: 25%

-**Speaking**: 25%

Students are entered for either Higher or Foundation for the 4 skills. Foundation will allow students to gain up to and including grade 5. Higher will allow students to gain up to a grade 9 (starting from a grade 4).

Students will be tested in 3 skills in the November mocks. (Listening, Reading and Writing papers). They will also have a full mock speaking test in January.

MFL Year 11 forum 2025

Languages GCSE



French

Spanish

Revision

Useful websites:

www.languagenut.com (dedicated MFL website)

<https://quizlet.com/en-gb>

www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize

www.memrise.com

languagesonline.org.uk

www.bbc.co.uk/languages

www.zut.org.uk

[\(free access after school hours\)](#)

www.wordreference.com

Language work

Students will be tested on all 8 modules studied throughout the 3-year GCSE course.

Ongoing revision is therefore essential i.e. regular revision of key vocabulary & grammar and regular practice of translation and paragraph writing.

Students should already have a lot of material (modules 1-6 so far) that they can revise and practise with. Students have been given vocabulary sheets and sentence builders for all studied modules and should re-visit topic-specific vocabulary and key grammar in a timely fashion. They should also use Languagenut to revise their vocabulary and grammar.

The writing paper has 2 options for the paragraph work (90 words-Foundation and Higher and 150 words-Higher). This will allow students to answer on their preferred theme. Students should practise writing under test conditions on a regular basis.

Reading and listening skills can be practised with Languagenut.

Session 6

We run session 6 classes prior to assessment and (mock) exams. In addition to this, we run session 6 classes to tackle more specific and challenging work as and when needed.

In our session 6 classes, we offer support with writing and speaking to further develop confidence and proficiency in the target language so that our students perform well in their end of year exams and in their assessments during the year.

We also cover the listening and reading papers with practice at foundation and higher levels. Along with targeted revision, we address the techniques needed to answer the more challenging exam questions.