Belfairs Academy



French Fundamentals Map

Knowledge

Across the Year

- Transition from GCSE to A level
- FILM La Haine Watch and study of the film.
 Consideration of the main themes, characters, techniques used, topic specific vocabulary to do with cinema, essay writing under timed conditions. Development of opinions and reactions to the film and the effectiveness of the director.
- UNIT 1 The changing structure or the family.
 Different types of modern family.
 Recent changes in relationships and marriage.
 Concerns and problems of three generations.
- UNIT 2 Technology

The importance of technology in everyday life. The world of the cybernaut.

The dangers of e-society.

The new technological changes in Africa

UNIT 3 – The role of voluntary work in French society

Why people want to become volunteers. How charity organisations help those in need. How volunteering benefits those who help.

UNIT 4 – The importance of heritage in France
How heritage is a cultural and physical
phenomenon.

How UNESCO protects sites in France and Francophone countries.

How architecture and gastronomy play an important role in France's heritage, Whether modern structures can be part of modern Francophone heritage.

UNIT 5 - Contemporary French music
 How to protect contemporary French music.

 The diversity of French music today.
 Popular music amongst young people.

Music and festivals emerging in Africa.UNIT 6 - French cinema

When cinema was invented and its place in France.

The greatest developments in French cinema in the twentieth century.

The popularity of the cinema in France.

Skills

GRAMMAR

UNIT 1 – regular and irregular verbs in the present tense, future and immediate future, the interrogative.

UNIT 2 – definite and indefinite articles, reflexive verbs, position and agreement of adjectives, perfect tense.

UNIT 3 – comparative and superlative adjectives, imperfect and pluperfect tenses, direct and indirect object pronouns.

UNIT 4 – irregular verbs in perfect tense, negatives, passive, infinitive constructions.

UNIT 5 – imperatives, past historic, imperfect tense, present and past participles.

UNIT 5 – present subjunctive, conditional tense, adverbs.

SKILLS

Using a bilingual or online dictionary. Finding and using information on the internet How to write useful and well organised exam notes.

Memorising vocabulary.

Translating well from Fr>Eng and Eng>Fr
Checking and editing written work for an appropriate range of language

Summarising information and extracting key points from written/recorded material.

Extending vocabulary

Comparing and contrasting viewpoints and expressing opinions.
Grammatical accuracy

Participating fluently in conversations. Developing accurate pronunciation

Revision techniques.

Developing listening and reading techniques for the exam.

Learning and using more sophisticated language.