

A Level French and German



Why learn a language

tolerance **friends**
empathy **enjoyment**
influence **awareness**
empowerment

pleasure

scope

insight **understanding**
pride **adaptability**
advantages

employability
opportunities
perspective
confidence
memories
freedom

Why choose MFL?

- ▶ *Cultures are both shaped by the language they speak while actively shaping that language in turn. This means that if you are interested in humanity, its history and the challenges facing the modern world, then you will find an A level in Modern Languages to be a rewarding and worthwhile choice. An A level in a modern language will also help you become more aware of culture, and of course making you a better communicator.*
- ▶ *As you would expect you will learn to develop a good command of vocabulary and grammar, to be able to translate into and out of the language, and to speak it confidently.*
- ▶ *Topics include studying social issues and trends in relation to any country that speaks that language as a first language. For example if you study French A level you could look at the development of 'cyber-society' in France, Canada or even French speaking countries in Africa! Canada or in Algeria. An A level in German will encompass both Germany and Austria and could also involve looking at the German-speaking part of Switzerland.*

What do background do I need?

- ▶ You will obviously need to have a GCSE in the language you wish to study.
- ▶ Many of the topics we study, build on your prior knowledge from GCSE so you won't be starting from scratch.
- ▶ This is the beauty of coming to Stowupland Sixth Form, we already know you!

What can an A level in French/German lead to?

- ▶ Universities value students who have taken a modern language at A level. An A level in a modern language provides a particularly good foundation for a degree in History, English, Politics, or Law and also opens the door to doing a joint honours degree (for example Business and German or Law and French).
- ▶ Having an additional language can enhance your employability in a world which increasingly depends on global relationships.

What will I study?

Theme 1	Theme 2	Theme 3	Theme 4
<p>Social issues and trends</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Changing nature of families• Cyber society• Voluntary work• Crime• Racism• Youth culture• Cinema	<p>Political and artistic culture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Festivals and traditions• Art and architecture• Germany and the EU• Young people and politics• Immigration	<p>Grammar</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nouns• Adjectives• Adverbs• Verbs• Tense, voice and mood.• Word order	<p>Works - from a set list</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• One film (yr12)• One book (yr13)

How will I be assessed?

LISTENING, READING AND WRITING	Written exam in <i>May/June</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 45% of your grade
SPEAKING	Oral exam with my teacher in April 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 30% of your grade
WRITING	Written exam in <i>May/June</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 25% of your grade

What should I do to prepare?

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Any questions?