

# Eduqas GCSE French Resources Guide

This booklet provides an overview of the support, guidance, and resources available to those teaching the Eduqas GCSE French specification across our suite of websites.

### Subject webpage

The Eduqas GCSE French subject webpage on the Eduqas website is the starting place for anyone teaching the specification and contains a range of official documentation relating to the qualification including the specification, sample assessment materials and past papers.

### **Portal**

The <u>Eduqas Portal</u> is a secure area for centres to access resources. These include past papers and marking schemes (ahead of their publication on the public website), as well as access to CPD materials.

For teachers to access Portal, they will need a username and password. This will be set up by their Examinations Officer.

Answers to frequently asked questions about Portal can be found here.

### Online Exam Review

The Online Exam Review website hosts marked examination exemplar in an interactive digital format.

### **Educational Resources**

The Educational Resources website hosts free digital resources created by our dedicated team of subject experts and web developers to support the teaching and learning of Eduqas qualifications.

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# 1. Key Documents

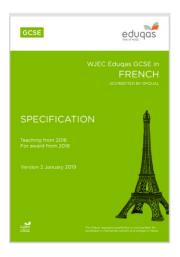
A list of Key Documents is available on the <u>subject webpage</u> of the Eduqas website and can be accessed by selecting <u>Key Documents</u>.



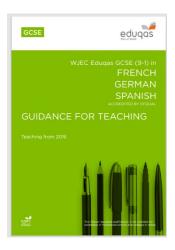
The documents are arranged in categories, and the documents in each category can be viewed by clicking the downward arrow alongside the category name.



Click on the images below for direct links to the documents you will need to get started teaching the qualification:













# 2. Past Papers



# Question papers from past examination series are available for:

### GCSE:

- Component 1 Speaking
- Component 2 Listening
- Component 3 Reading
- Component 4 Writing

### Past papers on Portal (shortly after end of exam series)

Past papers are published initially on Portal shortly after the end of the examination series.

To locate the past papers, select 'Past Papers & Marking Schemes' from the 'Resources' menu on the left-hand side of the screen:



Then use the dropdown menus to choose the papers that you are looking for:



### Past papers on public website (from twelve months after Results Day)

Past papers are published on the public website approximately twelve months after results for a series have been issued:

Series	Past Papers on public website	
June series	1-31 <sup>st</sup> July	

They can be accessed on the <u>subject webpage</u> under the <u>Past Papers</u> tab.





# 3. Marking Schemes

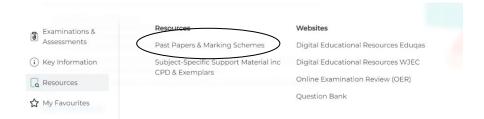


**Marking schemes** are available to accompany question papers from past examination series. These provide instructions on how to apply the marking criteria, examples of indicative content, and assessment grids articulating the banded descriptors for different levels of responses.

### Marking schemes on Portal (from Results Day)

Marking schemes are published initially on Portal on Results Day for the examination series.

To locate the marking schemes, select 'Past Papers & Marking Schemes' from the 'Resources' menu on the left of the screen:



Then use the dropdown menus to choose the marking schemes that you are looking for:



### Marking schemes on public website (from twelve months after Results Day)

Marking schemes are published on the public website around twelve months after results for a series have been issued:

Series	Marking schemes on public website		
June series	1-31st July (of the following year)		

They can be accessed on the subject webpage under the *Past Papers* tab.





# 4. Examiners' Reports



The Principal Examiners' reports provide helpful observations and commentary on candidates' performance across the examined series.

They are published on Results Day for each series and are available on the <u>subject webpage</u> under <u>Key Documents</u>.



# 5. Exemplar Materials

Exemplar materials can currently be accessed via the Online Exam Review (OER) site and subject webpages (see below for details).

Please note that, from Summer 2024 onwards, new exemplar materials will be made available on Portal only.

### Online Exam Review (OER)



Until Summer 2022, a set of <u>Online Exam</u>
<u>Review</u> material for each exam component
was published. These materials, which are still
available online, include both clean and
marked exemplars of candidate responses to
key questions from previous examinations.

The OER materials can be used with students, to encourage them to review others' responses and discuss ways in which they may be improved, thus developing their own skills.

If you are accessing the OER document in a web browser and are only able to see a single page, please download the document and re-open it in Adobe Reader to fully access the material.

### Subject webpage

Clean copies of candidate responses and marked versions are also available to download from our <u>subject page</u> as a single pdf document, together with instructions for printing with or

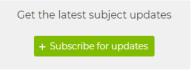


# without Principal Examiner comments. Exemplars 2023 Annotated Exemplar 2022 Annotated Exemplar 2019 Annotated Exemplar 2018 Annotated Exemplar

## 6. Newsletters



Click the <u>Subscribe for updates</u> button on the right-hand side of the <u>subject webpage</u> to sign up for email updates about the qualification, including the termly subject-specific newsletters published each September, January and April.



Past newsletters are also available from the <u>subject webpage</u> under <u>Key Documents</u>.

Key Docun	nents	Overview	Past Papers / Mark Schemes	Resources	
Training	Cont	acts			

## 7. CPD Materials

### **Annual CPD programme**

Eduqas offers an annual programme of CPD training events, which include both face-to-face and/or online sessions. They are designed for practitioners to get all the latest feedback on assessments, an insight into our teaching resources, as well as a range of practical strategies for the classroom.



Details of forthcoming sessions are listed on the <u>subject webpage</u> under <u>Training > Upcoming</u> <u>Courses</u>.



### Materials from past CPD events



Materials from CPD training events held in previous years are available on <u>Portal</u>.

These can be accessed by selecting Resources and Subject Specific Materials including CPD.



The focus of each year's provision is outlined below.

Autumn 2023	Assessment > classroom practice - review of the 2023 summer assessment series. Includes overviews of Component 1 (speaking) and Component 4 (writing), with the Principal Examiner's observations and examples of candidates' performance.
Autumn 2022	Assessment > classroom practice – review of the 2022 summer assessment series, exploration examples of marked candidate responses and consideration of how feedback on assessments can inform teaching and learning.
Autumn 2021	Assessment > classroom practice - Developing listening and reading resilience for GCSE MFL.
Autumn 2020	Assessment > classroom practice – Developing listening and reading resilience for GCSE MFL.
Autumn 2019	Assessment > classroom practice – review of the 2019 summer series; focusing on Unit 1 Speaking and Unit 4 Writing.
Autumn 2018	Assessment > classroom practice – review of the 2018 summer assessment series, exploration examples of marked candidate responses and consideration of how feedback on assessments can inform teaching and learning.

### **Pre-recorded courses**



Pre-recorded courses are available on the <u>subject webpage</u> under <u>Training > On-</u> Demand Courses.



### Mark Like an Examiner



Our 'Mark Like an Examiner' session aims to equip teachers to apply the mark scheme correctly and fairly. It can also be used to develop candidates' understanding of the mark scheme.

### 8. Educational Resources

A wide range of free digital resources have been developed to support the teaching and learning of Edugas GCSE French and these are available from our *Educational Resources* website.

The full range of resources can be accessed <u>here</u> and a selection of the resources are outlined below.

### GCSE French Components 1-4 – Teaching and Learning Resources



Component 1 resources
Component 2 resources
Component 3 resources
Component 4 resources

### **GCSE Theme 1 – Identity and Culture**



<u>Theme 1 resources</u>, including interactive listening, reading and translation activities that can be used to support teaching and learning as a whole class or independently.

### GCSE Theme 2 – Local, National, International and Global Areas of Interest



<u>Theme 2 resources</u>, including interactive listening, reading and translation activities that can be used to support teaching and learning as a whole class or independently.



### GCSE Theme 3 - Current and Future Study and Employment



This <u>Theme 3 resource</u> offers interactive listening, reading and translation activities that can be used to support teaching and learning as a whole class or independently.

### **Exam Walk Through – GCSE French**



Aimed at learners, this <u>Exam Walk Through</u> resource offers practical hints and tips on how to effectively approach questions in the examination paper. Using questions from past exam papers, the PPT with audio help and audio script in the notes will walk you through a mock examination paper, helping you revise and practice useful exam techniques.

### **GCSE French Knowledge Organisers**



A bank of sample <u>knowledge organisers</u> covering each of the subthemes in GCSE French. These could be used for revision or as a starting point for creating your own knowledge organisers.

# Language Tools



This is a bank of <u>tools</u> that allow teachers to use their own piece of text to generate a range of language-based activities.

# 8. Grade Boundaries and Exam Results Analysis

### **Grade boundaries**

Grade boundaries from some past examination series are available under <u>Key Documents</u> on the <u>subject webpage</u>.



Further grade boundary information can be found on the <u>Results, Grade Boundaries and PRS</u> page of the Eduqas website. Select the information you require from the dropdown:





### **Exam Results Analysis**

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Exam Results Analysis can be used by teachers to:

- Evaluate their own performance against specification norms.
- Identify strengths and weaknesses for a candidate cohort and suggest areas of improvement.
- Assist individual candidates in improving their own performance.

It can be accessed on <u>Portal</u>, and allows you to compare your students' performance on each question with that of the candidature overall, letting you see where they have done well and where there might be room for improvement. To do this, under the 'Results' tab, click on 'View/Print Item Level Data' or 'View/Print Centre Performance' for comparable data.

# 9. Key Dates

By selecting the Administration tab on the top right of the subject webpage,







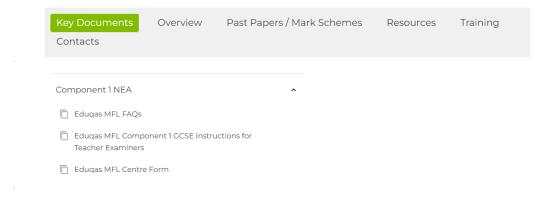
you can access information such as <u>key dates and timetables</u>, <u>entries</u> and <u>e-Submission</u>.

# 10. Component 1 - Non-Examination Assessment (NEA)

# Component 1 standardised exemplars and commentaries are available on the <u>subject webpage</u> of the website under <u>Key Documents>Exemplars</u>. Exemplars 2018 Eduqas GCSE French Exemplar 2019 Eduqas GCSE French Exemplar Eduqas GCSE French Component 1 Exemplar 523 Exemplars can also be found on <u>Portal</u>, under 'Subject-Specific Support Material including CPD and Exemplars.' Remember to select the Eduqas brand in the 'Options' filters.

### **Non-Examination Assessment Guidance Documents**

A number of documents to aid centres in administering the Component 1 NEA assessment are available on the <u>subject webpage</u> under <u>Key Documents</u>.



### Direct links to important documents:

- Component 1 Non-Exam Assessment FAQS- GCSE Eduqas FAQs sheet
- ➤ Component 1 Non-Exam Assessment Mark sheet GCSE speaking Component 1 mark sheet
- Component 1 Non-Exam Assessment MFL Centre Form



# **Contact us**

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Our subject team is happy to help you with all your queries related to the teaching and learning of Eduqas GCSE French. Our Subject Officers are experienced teachers and are here to support you with delivering our qualifications.