

French Year 8 Listening and Reading

Curriculum core purpose. Intent

How does this curriculum fit into the OBHS Curriculum Specification? In year 8 MFL provision is increased to 6 lessons per cycle and all students continue with French and begin German.

How is this linked to prior learning? How do units/ topics/ chunks fit together to form the curriculum narrative and prepare students for the next phase of their learning? We start German from scratch and French continues to build upon language complexity. Topics are chosen for age appropriateness from years 7-9 to prepare for KS4 where they are revisited and expanded upon alongside new topics.

How does this curriculum respond to local and national agendas (e.g. SMSC and BV)

Content-Knowledge and Skills.

Content is covered by the Studio 2 course: Media, travel, identity, fashion, music, home and festivals.
Grammar is taught explicitly.

Subject specific pedagogy

Listening and reading introduce all new language and are key to retention. All MFL teachers are subject specialists in French and German. Teacher modelling is evident in all lessons. Listening is used to model rather than test and transcripts/texts are exploited to identify gist, key words/phrases, gist and sequence.

Resources and support

Knowledge organisers are used to focus on phrases rather than individual words.
Transcripts and reading texts form the basis of learning activities.
Quizlet and Memrise are set as homework learning tasks.
Use of mini white boards and games to engage all students.

Feedback, assessment and progress.

How are students assessed? How does this demonstrate progress?

Summative tests every term, these include a selection of listening, reading, writing, translation, speaking skills.

Assessments gradually include topics from previous terms to tests deeper recall. Regular vocab tests plus a piece of writing each half term.

How do children receive feedback on their learning?

Verbal feedback during circulation and in class activities. Peer and self marking.

How is feedback used to inform planning/ SoL?

In-class AfL used to adapt duration / difficulty of activities. Questioning is differentiated.

Habits

Resilience – not giving up but looking at different achievable ways of communicating an idea.

Collaboration – participate actively in group tasks, building confidence from working together, pooling knowledge.

Independence – deducing meaning, looking up new words.

Ambition – broadening cultural horizons, enjoyment of communicating with others.