

West Park School

French

Mock Examination 2025

In readiness for your mock examination in French you must **LEARN** and **REVISE** the following content and skills:

Listening and Reading

Your listening and reading mock examinations will cover all three themes that you are required to know for your examinations in May and June. You must make sure you have knowledge of vocabulary from all three themes to be successful with these papers. As you have not yet seen all of the topics, it is strongly advised that you do some independent practice of vocabulary from different topics using **Memrise community courses**. Here is a reminder of the themes and accompanying topics:

Theme 1 – People and lifestyle

- 1. Identity and relationships with others
- 2. Healthy living and lifestyle
- 3. Education and work

Theme 2 – Popular culture

- 1. Free-time activities
- 2. Customs, festivals and celebrations
- 3. Celebrity culture

Theme 3 – Communication and the world around us

- 1. Travel and tourism, including places of interest
- 2. Media and technology
- 3. The environment and where people live

Speaking

Your mock speaking examination will be made up of questions from the <u>first five units only</u>. This examination is made up of three parts:

1. Role play – Your answers for this should be brief. You only need to provide the information you are asked for. Most answers should be one sentence long. Accuracy is more important than detail for this section. You are expected to ask a question during this part of the examination.

- 2. Reading aloud You will be asked to read a passage of 35-50 words in French with your best pronunciation. You will then be asked four short questions on the topic you have read about. This lasts 2-2.30 minutes for foundation and 3-3.5 minutes for higher.
- 3. Photo cards You will describe and compare two photos on a different theme from the reading aloud task. The description should last 1 minute at foundation and 1.5 minutes at higher. There will be a follow-up conversation for 3-4 minutes if you are foundation tier and 4.5-5.5 minutes if you are higher tier. This is the part of the examination where you are expected to show off what you know. You must include complex structures, verbs in different tenses, lots of detail and justified opinions. The conversation will cover all topics we have studied.

You will be given the role-play, the reading aloud task and photo cards 15 minutes before the start of the examination and are allowed to make notes during this time. You can use your notes during the first three sections of the examination, so feel free to write yourself a script. Your notes will be taken away before the start of the final conversation.

Writing

You need to know vocabulary and structure for the following topics:

- Identity and relationships with others
- Healthy living and lifestyle
- Education and work
- Free-time activities
- Customs festivals and celebrations

Regardless of tier, you are also expected to include evidence of the following:

- Present tense (regular and irregular verbs)
- Future tense(s)
- Past tense(s)
- Opinions and justification
- Complex structures
- Accuracy

You must also ensure you write something for each bullet point in a question. If you fail to do so, it will cost you a lot of marks. Your teacher will provide you with a handout to help you with your verb tenses. You can also find useful grammar information in your revision guides. You have your CROISSANTS mini-booklet that you can use to practise key structures and grammar points.