

Preparing for GCSE in MFL

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Structure of the new GCSE	Exam Boards
<p><u>Paper 1: Listening (25%)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessed through an exam at the end of the course Time allowed: 45 minutes <p><u>Paper 2: Speaking (25%)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessed by an end of course oral exam Students participate in a role play, picture description and general conversation Time allowed: 10-12 minutes + 12 minutes preparation time <p><u>Paper 3: Reading (25%)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessed through an exam at the end of the course Includes translation into English Time allowed: 1 hour <p><u>Paper 4: Writing (25%)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessed by an end of course exam Students complete 2 writing tasks and a translation into the target language Time allowed: 1 hour 15 minutes 	<p><u>AQA:</u> French German Italian Spanish</p> <p><u>Edexcel:</u> Russian Japanese Chinese</p>
<p>Key Dates for year 11</p> <p><u>Mock exams</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFL2 French and Spanish mock speaking exams: w/c 18th November 2019 MFL1 French and German mock speaking exams: w/c 25th November 2019 MFL1 and 2 listening, reading and writing mock exams: w/c 9th December 2019 <p><u>End of course exams</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFL1 French and German speaking exams: w/c 21st April 2019 MFL2 French and Spanish speaking exams: w/c 27th April 2019 Students only have one opportunity to take the speaking exam 	
<p>Key Skills for the new GCSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accurate sentence construction in the TL using a variety of tenses – spoken and written. Effective development of opinions and ideas relating to a range of topics. Comprehension of a wide range of topic specific vocabulary and structures – written and recorded. 	

Resources for New GCSE Preparation

<p><u>1. Memrise for Core Language and Verb Lists</u></p> <p>French: https://www.memrise.com/course/1582260/new-gcse-french/</p> <p>German: https://www.memrise.com/course/1511923/new-gcse-german-revision/</p> <p>Spanish: https://www.memrise.com/course/1580290/new-gcse-spanish/</p> <p>Italian https://www.memrise.com/course/1490478/new-gcse-italian/</p>	<p><u>2. Core Language Grids</u></p> <p>French: https://docs.google.com/a/bexleygs.co.uk/document/d/17lgWfryXi7V-KCvLdseFMQwCcZGLNPWecTomLTtDCVM/edit?usp=sharing</p> <p>German: https://docs.google.com/document/d/128ZiV4Zf0UA6WUgVsc2VuqkdC4zZ67eAMdnycc4GTXE/edit?usp=sharing</p> <p>Spanish: https://docs.google.com/a/bexleygs.co.uk/document/d/118PMJLd-Hmj2snGIKzhMX0oC05toMxS0lCvuiippi8tQ/edit?usp=sharing</p> <p>Italian https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ZRh26OMirLsEcsqNYOuUuJodXSeKi8xTOclfoePrwkc/edit?usp=sharing</p>
<p><u>3. Practice questions</u></p> <p>Parents will be able to order CGP revision guides at a discounted price through the MFL department, which include practice questions.</p>	<p><u>4. Private tuition with language assistants</u></p> <p>We will have language assistants starting in September for French, German, Italian and Spanish. Should you like your son/daughter to have one to one private tuition, we recommend the tailored support, our native speakers can provide. These lessons are priced at £20 per hour.</p>

