

# MFL: French, German & Spanish

**Examination Board: AQA**

**A Level in French: FRE 7652,**

**A Level in German: GER 7662,**

**A Level in Spanish: SPA 7692**

## What will I learn?

The study of a foreign language will allow students to:

- Develop a high level of communication skills and linguistic competence in the target language
- Gain a useful insight into another culture and reflect on various aspects of the society in which the target language is spoken
- Develop study skills as a preparation for the world of work
- Enhance employment prospects, to facilitate foreign travel and experience the enjoyment and motivation of improving linguistic levels.

## Assessment

Exam based assessment of Year 1 and Year 2

**Paper 1:** Listening, Reading and Writing/Translation (50% of A level)

**Paper 2:** Writing (20% of A level)

**Paper 3:** Speaking (30% of A level)

## Who is the course suited to?

The study of a modern foreign language at A Level provides a wide range of opportunities for students who have enjoyed their GCSE course and are willing to further their linguistic potential by completing independent research and taking an active interest in the life and culture of the foreign country.

## What is the structure of the course

### Theme 1

Aspects of French/Spanish/German speaking society: current trends (Year 1)

### Theme 2

Artistic culture in the French/Spanish/German speaking world (Year 1).

### Theme 3

Aspects of French/Spanish/German speaking society: current issues (Year 2)

### Theme 4

Aspects of political life in the French/Spanish/German speaking world (Year 2)

Students must also undertake an independent research project of their own choice and study either one book and one film or two books from a prescribed list over the course of the two years.

## Reasons to consider doing a Modern Foreign Language at A Level:

In the increasingly global environment in which we live, the ability to communicate with people in other parts of the world is an extremely valuable skill, especially in the world of work. The study of modern languages is vital in order to feel part of Europe in the 21st century. The skills that pupils acquire through the study of modern foreign languages (such as self-discipline, the ability to memorise information, the ability to apply rules logically and methodically) are highly prized by universities and employers and lead to a wide range of career opportunities from the Civil Service to Engineering, Medicine or Financial Services.

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