

Exam Board & Course title: GCSE Arabic / French / German / Spanish / Urdu.
(Additional languages available for native speakers.)

Qualification: GCSE

QAN Code: Arabic 603/1172/1, French 610/2718/2, German 610/3473/3, Spanish 610/3469/1, Urdu 603/1114/9

Level of course:

Suitable for students who have studied the language in KS3

Assessment Methods:

Arabic / French / German / Spanish / Urdu:

Listening – final exam (25%); Reading – final exam (25%); Speaking – final exam (25%); Writing – final exam (25%).

Course content:

Topics are split into 6 themes in French / German / Spanish: -

- My personal world • Lifestyle and wellbeing • My neighbourhood
- Media and technology • Studying and my future • Travel and tourism

Topics are split into 5 themes in Arabic / Urdu: -

Theme 1: Identity & culture

Theme 2: Local Area, holiday & travel

Theme 3: School

Theme 4: Future aspirations, Study & Work

Theme 5: International & Global Dimensions

Various topics such as 'Relationships', 'Environment' and 'Free Time and the Media' will be covered within these main contexts.

Skills you need: Language and cultural awareness, ability to work independently and in small groups, dictionary and ICT skills, willingness to communicate and an interest in other countries and cultures.

Skills you will acquire: Communication, application of numbers, Information and Communication Technology, working with others, improving own learning and performance, problem solving, research, independent and team working.

Progression routes and linked careers:

A GCSE pass at Grade 5-9 could lead to further study at A level and then a university degree. A foreign language can be useful in a wide range of careers. For some jobs, such as translating, interpreting and language teaching, language skills are one of the main requirements. For other jobs, you may need a combination of languages plus other qualifications, knowledge or skills. For example, people with language skills plus **ICT, Law, Finance** or **Medical** skills are **very much** in demand. Having language skills also opens doors to foreign travel, to be able to work / visit abroad.

Other information:

At GCSE, we follow the Pearson Edexcel syllabus for all 5 languages. We teach each class 3 x 60-minute lessons every week. Foreign language assistants also assist with language lessons, where possible.

Any questions see:

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