University of Birmingham School Curriculum Outline: FRENCH



Term → Year →	Term 1a	Term 1b	Term 2a	Term 2b	Term 3a	Term 3b
12	La famille en voie de changement Trends in marriage/partnership Merits and problems of different family structures Relationships between generations/problems La musique francophone contemporaine The popularity of contemporary francophone music and its diversity Threats and safeguarding of contemporary francophone music La Haine Film study GRAMMAR Nouns and gender Personal pronouns Adjectives Present tense Negatives Perfect tense Immediate future Infinitive constructions Imperfect tense	La 'cyber-société' How technology transforms everyday life Dangers of digital technology Different users of technology/ future developments Le septième art Aspects of French cinema Major developments in French cinema La Haine Film study GRAMMAR Present tense of reflexive verbs Perfect tense Pluperfect Direct/indirect object pronouns connectives	Le rôle du bénévolat The voluntary sector in France The benefits of voluntary work Le septième art The continuing popularity of French cinema and film festivals Le patrimoine The notion of heritage and heritage preservation on a regional/national scale La Haine Film study Essay technique and phrases Technical language for describing films Analysing model essays GRAMMAR The past historic The passive voice Translation focus The future tense Demonstrative adjectives and pronouns Si clauses Connectives followed by subjunctive Revision of imperfect with si clauses	Le rôle du bénévolat (cont.) The voluntary sector in France The benefits of voluntary work Le patrimoine (cont.) The ways in which some of the country's most famous heritage sites market themselves How heritage impacts upon and is guided by culture in society Speaking exam preparation La Haine Film study Essay writing GRAMMAR Adjectives and adverbs Comparative and superlative The conditional The subjunctive Si clauses	Speaking exam preparation Listening, reading and writing exam preparation GRAMMAR Combining imperfect and perfect tense Possessive and indefinite pronouns Relative pronouns Combining future, perfect and conditional tenses	Individual research project Camus, L'Étranger Literature study: Discussing theme, character, social and cultural context GRAMMAR Targeted grammar Translation work
13	Les aspects positifs d'une société diverse The benefits of living in an ethnically diverse society The need for tolerance and respect Promoting diversity to create a richer world Les ados, le droit de vote et l'engagement politique French political system and its evolution Engagement levels of young people and their influence on politics Future of politics and political engagement Camus, L'Étranger Literature study and essay writing GRAMMAR Passive voice (all tenses) Revision of numerals Dependent infinitives Revision of adverbs Perfect and imperfect tense of the subjunctive Revision of partitive article	Quelle vie pour les marginalisés Marginalised groups in society Measures to assist the marginalised Contrasting attitudes to marginalisation Manifestations, grèves — à qui le pouvoir? Role of unions Methods of protesting, strikes and protests Attitudes towards strikes, protests and political tensions Camus, L'Étranger Literature study and essay writing GRAMMAR Pronouns: personal, subject, direct and indirect, disjunctive, position and order, use of y and en, reflexive, relative, demonstrative, indefinite, possessive, interrogative Quantifiers and intensifiers Verbs: impersonal, structures with infinitives, perfect infinitive	Comment on traite les criminels Attitudes to crime Prison: merits and problems Alternative forms of punishment La politique et l'immigration Political issues concerning immigration in francophone countries Viewpoints of political parties concerning immigration Immigration Immigration from the standpoint of immigrants and aspects of racism Camus, L'Étranger Literature study and essay writing GRAMMAR Verbs: regular and irregular conjugation in the present tense, future, future perfect, conditional, conditional perfect, negative forms, interrogative forms, present participle, infinitives, past participles, perfect tense (including agreement of past participle), imperfect si clauses with present and future Translation from English into French and from French into English	Revision and exam preparation All topics Literature and film GRAMMAR Verbs: pluperfect, past historic, the subjunctive, venir de + infinitive Prepositions Conjunctions Imperative Question forms Negation Combining tenses Translation from English into French and from French into English		