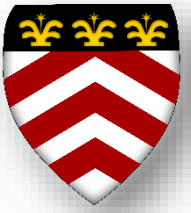


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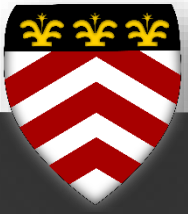


What is GCSE Modern Foreign Languages (MFL) all about?

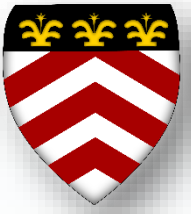
It is about enjoying communication with other people who speak the language; learning about life in their countries and finding out more about how their language works. It is also about improving your communication skills, equipping you better to talk to people from different countries and for the world of work.

What can I do next with GCSE Modern Foreign Languages?

- Communicate effectively in real life situations abroad and with native speakers of the language
- Study subjects or take up careers for which having a foreign language GCSE background is relevant
- Many employers and universities value very highly the skills acquired when studying a modern language (the ability to listen, to communicate and to make sense of written information effectively)
- Take up Post -16 study in Modern Foreign Languages



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What topics will I learn and how will I be assessed?

Examinations

- Foundation tier (grades up to 5) or Higher tier (grades 4 – 9) are available
- Listening exam (25%), reading exam (25%), writing exam (25%), speaking exam (25%)
- Writing exam even at Higher tier requires no more than 150 words in the biggest question
- Speaking exam consists of role play, photo card and conversation, conducted by the candidate's teacher

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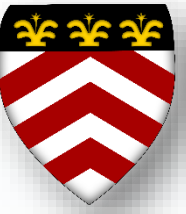
Theme 1: Identity and culture: family & friends, relationships, marriage/partnership, social media, mobile technology, music, cinema, TV, food & eating out, sport, customs and festivals in the countries of the language

Theme 2: Local, national, international and global areas of interest: home, town, neighbourhood & region, social issues, charity/voluntary work, healthy/unhealthy living, global issues, the environment, poverty/homelessness, travel & tourism

Theme 3: Current and future study and employment: my studies, life at school/college, education post-16, jobs, career choices & ambitions



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FAQs

Can I study a new language?

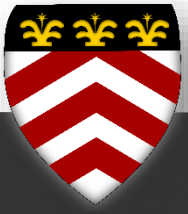
Unfortunately it is not possible to study a new language starting in year 10. It does not provide enough time for you to achieve the necessary standard. Therefore, you will continue with the language you have studied so far.

Which exam board do you use?

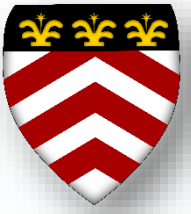
We use the AQA exam board and further information can be found at <https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/gcse>

Who can I ask for further information?

For more information, talk to Mr Wright, Mrs Hollman or Mrs Toby



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What do current students say about GCSE languages?

"It is an accessible course - hard work but a good challenge"

"It's great if you're serious about applying to university"

"Languages are useful for the future and look good on your CV"

"I love using Memrise to learn new vocabulary – the competition of the leader board is great!"

"It's a fun, interesting course"