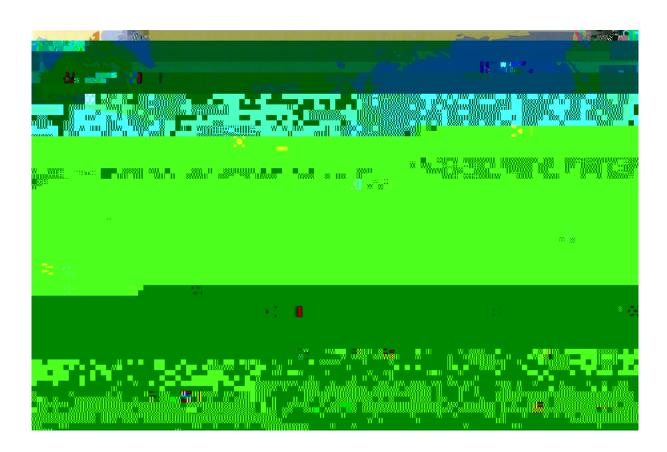
French as a second language

Français langue étrangère

First assessment 2020



- What is the course about and what will I learn?

Language B is a language acquisition course designed for students with some previous experience of the target language. In the language B course, students further develop their ability to communicate in the target language through the study of language, themes and texts. In doing so, they also develop conceptual understandings of how language works, as appropriate to the level of the course.

- Language B and theory of knowledge

Theory of knowledge (TOK) plays a special role in the programme by providing an opportunity for students to reflect on the fundamental question of how they know what they know. Here 2 examples to illustrate this:

Is it possible to think without language? What would be lost if the whole world shared one common language?

- Language B and creativity, activity, service

CAS and language acquisition can complement each other in a variety of ways. Students can enhance intercultural understanding through the active and purposeful use of their acquired language within the specific real-life contexts provided by their CAS experiences.

- Distinction between SL and HL

At both levels of language B (SL and HL), students learn to communicate in the target language in familiar and unfamiliar contexts. They describe situations, narrate events, make comparisons, explain problems, and state and support their personal opinions on a variety of topics relating to course content. The study of two literary works originally written in the target language is required only at language B HL. The distinction between language B SL and HL can also be seen in the level of competency the student is expected to develop in the receptive, productive and interactive skills.

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	SL	HL	SL	HL
Term 1	Paper 1* and 2*, S Topic: Identities	Paper 1/2/S	Paper 1* and 2*, S Topic: Social organisation	Paper 1/2/S
Term 2	Paper 1* and 2*, S			

- What materials will I need?

Le monde en français - textbook (SL&HL) French B for the