

Curriculum Booklet Year 8

Subject: French



*The limits of my language are
the limits of my world.*

–Ludwig Wittgenstein

In year 8, pupils will build on the basic language that they have learnt in year 7.

There will also be an increased focus on the use of different tenses and using extended sentences. Pupils will also be encouraged to become more independent through the use of dictionaries and language placemats. There will also be a literacy focus on the use of nouns, adjectives and verbs throughout the year. The language learnt in year 8 will provide a base for the transition into year 9. By the end of year 8, pupils should be working on levels 4-6 and all pupils will be given the support and opportunity to realise their potential. In all modules, pupils will be assessed in Oracy, Reading and Writing. Pupils should use www.quizlet.com and search QEHS Year 8 as a way of improving and reinforcing their vocabulary learning regularly at home.

Term 1

Module 4 – Mes loisirs (My hobbies)

Pupils will learn how to discuss their hobbies and what they like doing in their free time. They will be encouraged to use a variety of sentence patterns and some past tense.

Module 5 – Chez moi (At home)

Pupils will learn how to describe their house and their local area as well as how to tell the time and describe their daily routine.

Term 2

Completion of Module 5.

Module 6 – Les vacances (Holidays)

Pupils will learn how to form the past tense in detail. They will also learn to describe a holiday they have been on, using a variety of verbs.

Assessment			
	Oracy	Reading	Writing
Module 1 – Mes loisirs	Listening task about hobbies.	Reading task about free time.	A cartoon strip describing their hobbies.
Module 2 – Chez moi	A presentation about their daily routine.	Reading task about home and daily routine.	A magazine article about their house.
Module 3 – Les vacances	A conversation about a holiday they have been on.	Reading task about holidays.	A blog or powerpoint about a holiday they have been on.

Next steps: As pupils move into Year 9, the themes and language they study will become more difficult and pupils will be expected to use past, present and future tenses as well as more complex language. Pupils will also be expected to become more independent in their production of language. In year 10, pupils can opt to study French and/or Spanish GCSE which will ultimately lead on to A/AS level in either language.

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