

Summer work for students opting for French A level - 2026.

Congratulations on applying to study French A level at HSFC. Over the Summer break, please work through the following tasks:

A: complete tasks 1—5, which are multi-choice, or gap-fill activities to practise /check your awareness of some key grammar points.

You might not know the answers to some of these questions. **This is not a problem – don't panic!** Simply do your best, complete what you can and bring your work with you to our first lesson in August/September.

Please attempt the tasks in numerical order. Avoid trying to complete them all at once. Spread the workload out over the summer.

It is important that you complete these tasks yourself. Please avoid using online resources to help you.

B: complete the 'Traduction' (French to English translation).

This task also asks you to make a few notes about which elements of the task required you to really think, and why. You are permitted to use a dictionary to look up a few words, but please don't use online translation tools to translate the whole thing. <https://www.linguee.com/>

You will also see a long vocabulary list for our first topic of work in the autumn term:

'La famille en voie de changement.'

You do not have to learn all of these words in advance but you might like to browse through it.

C: please write 150 words in French on the following title: Pourquoi aller en France?

This is the same length as the 150-word writing task at GCSE. Try to make your article as interesting as possible and show-case everything you can do in French.

Please hand-write this article and double space your answer (i.e. write on every other line).

Additional tasks:

Reading and listening in the target language are very important in terms of developing your comprehension and broadening your vocabulary. Please visit the following websites, explore what they have to offer, and take some time to complete a few activities.

<https://lingua.com>

<https://www.myfrenchblog.com/>

<https://apprendre.tv5monde.com/fr>

Perhaps you could find a French resource online to recommend to other Y1 students in September. Alternatively, find a song, TV programme or film that you would recommend.