

OLYMPIADS SCHOOL

<u>Course Title:</u>	IB entrance.
<u>Course Date:</u>	Summer Session (8 weeks)
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Course Description:

The goal of the French IB Entrance program is to develop in students a high degree of proficiency in French. It is designed to emphasize the acquisition of higher level speaking, reading, writing and listening skills in the target language through a variety of authentic linguistic experiences. Instruction is presented in a rigorous immersion learning environment to prepare students for the challenging IB second language assessments.

The course include reading, grammar, writing, oral comprehension and oral communication. The program covers large numbers of rules of French grammar and usage. Following a summary of rules for correct pronunciation and spelling, we will review verb tenses, the present, the future, the “Imparfait”, the Compound Past Tense and the Conditional, and the imperative and infinitive verb forms. Rules governing nouns, pronouns modifiers, prepositions, interrogatives, and negative forms are also examined numbers, time and dates, idioms, synonyms, antonyms throughout the text.

Learning Outcomes:

During this class, the learner will:

1. Be able to edit their own writing to avoid most major sentence errors.
2. Express ideas and opinions in short written texts.
3. Create short, simple written paragraphs in structured and open-ended situations.
4. Identify and use appropriate language conventions in their written work.
6. Provide students with a sound linguistic base for further study.
7. Develop the ability to communicate accurately and effectively in speech and in writing within a range of contexts.

Instructional Methods:

This course is taught using a variety of instructional lectures, class discussions, small group work and writing essay.

When planning instruction, every effort is made to have students actively practicing in all skill areas every week. A common theme in all skill-building work is the importance in vocabulary acquisition. Students learn new vocabulary when they are reading and listening. They are encouraged to practice new vocabulary when they are writing and speaking.

Textbook & Materials:

Supporting materials:

1. ***Grammaire en dialogues : Niveau intermédiaire (Claire Miquel)***
2. ***Grammaire progressive du français (600 exercices, intermédiaire) (Maïa Grégoire)***

Supplementary Sources:

- ***Practice Makes Perfect - French Sentence Builder* by**
- ***Complete French Grammar* by Annie Heminway**
- ***French Grammar Drills* by Eliane Kurbegov**
- ***Complete Guide to Conjugating 12000 French Verbs* by Bescherelle**

Grading standard:

This course will be based on weighted categories. The categories are divided as follows:

1. Homework (20%)
2. Reading (20%)
3. Quiz (20%)
4. Participation (20%)
5. Final exam (20%)

Topics and Assignments:

Week 1

- French Pronunciation and Spelling
- Articles, Nouns, Numbers, Dates, Time
- The present tense of regular -er verbs
- The present tense of -ir and -re verbs

- Personal Pronouns
- Text No 1 "Une Famille Part en voyage" + Audio file
- Text No 2 "A la table du petit-déjeuner" + Audio file
- The Present Tense irregulars Verbs I
- Pronominal Verbs
- Comparative and Superlative Forms of Adjectives
- Text No 3 : "Un recrutement difficile" + Audio File
- Text No 4 : "La vie quotidienne d'un écrivain" + Audio File

Week 2

- The Present Tense irregulars Verbs II
- La negation
- Adverbs I
- Comparative and Superlative Forms of Adjectives
- Text No 5 : "Thibaut n'est jamais comptant " + Audio File
- The Compound Past Tense Part I (With Avoir)
- Text No 7 : "Un Samedi matin, en famille " + Audio File
- Text No 8 : "Au téléphone " + Audio File

Week 3

- The Compound Past Tense Part (With Etre + Pronominal Verbs).
- Adverbs II
- Text No 9: "Mystère au bureau " + Audio File
- Text No 10 : "De vraies vacances " + Audio File
- Le Futur Proche.
- Le Futur Simple.
- Les Prépositions de lieu
- Text No 11 : "Un été A Londres " + Audio File
- Text No 12: "Avant une réunion délicate " + Audio File

Week 4

- L'imparfait
- L'imparfait et le passé compose.
- Les expressions de temps
- Text No 13 : "Un été A Londres " + Audio File
- Text No 14: "Avant une réunion délicate " + Audio File
- L 'Imperatif

- Relative Pronouns
- Text No 15 : "Conseil d'un voisin " + Audio File
- Text No 16: "Une surprise pour Papa " + Audio File

Week 5

- Review of the first session
- Le passe récent et le passe compose
- Les pronoms personnels toniques
- Les doubles pronoms
- Text No 17 + Audio File

Week 6

- Les pronoms relatifs complexes
- Le gérondif.
- Text No 18 + Audio File
- Le passé simple
- L'expression de la cause.
- Text No 19 + Audio File

Week 7

- Le conditionnel Présent (Construction).
- L'expression de la conséquence .
- Text No 20 + Audio File
- Bilan 6.
- Le conditionnel Présent (Utilisation).
- Les expressions de temps
- Text No 21 + Audio File.

Week 8

- L'expression du but
- Le discours direct.
- Text No 22 + Audio File
- L'expression de la concession.
- L'expression de l'hypothèse.
- Final Test