

YOUR STEP- BY-STEP GUIDE TO SWITCHING TO EDUQAS

GCSE FRENCH



GCSE FRENCH WITH EDUQAS

WHY CHOOSE US?

- Our subject content is logically divided. Each broad theme is divided into three sub-themes and each sub-theme is divided into two sub-sub-themes (see table below)
- Our assessments are candidate-friendly. For example, the questions for the listening assessments are read out to the candidate
- Our Reading and Writing assessments allow the candidates sufficient time for reading and completing the questions
- The mark allocation for both tiers of our assessments is straightforward

Identity and culture		
Youth Culture <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Self and relationships• Technology and social media	Lifestyle <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Health and fitness• Entertainment and leisure	Customs and Traditions <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Food and drink• Festivals and celebrations
Local, national, international and global areas of interest		
Home and Locality <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local areas of interest• Transport	France and French-speaking countries <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local and regional features and characteristics• Holidays and tourism	Global Sustainability <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Environment• Social issues
Current and future study and employment		
Current Study <ul style="list-style-type: none">• School/college life• School/college studies	World of Work <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Work experience and part-time jobs• Skills and personal qualities	Jobs and Future Plans <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Applying for work/study• Career plans

SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT

Component 1: Speaking (60 marks)	
Oral test: 7-9 mins (Foundation tier) / 10-12 mins (Higher tier)	25% of qualification
Three tasks: one role play, one photo card discussion, one conversation	
Component 2: Listening (45 marks)	
Written examination: 35 mins (Foundation tier) / 45 mins (Higher tier)	25% of qualification
Listening comprehension tasks with non-verbal and written responses	
Component 3: Reading (60 marks)	
Written examination: 1 hour (Foundation tier) / 1 hour 15 mins (Higher tier)	25% of qualification
Reading tasks with non-verbal and written responses, including one translation task from French into English	
Component 4: Writing (60 marks)	
Written examination: 1 hour 15 mins (Foundation tier) / 1 hour 30 mins (Higher tier)	25% of qualification
Writing tasks including one translation task from English into French	

MAKE THE SWITCH TO A BOARD THAT WILL SUPPORT YOU

Switching to Eduqas could be the best move you make.

You'll gain access to an unbeatable range of free teaching resources, and our team of subject specialists are on hand to give you all the help and advice you need.

Whether you're with AQA or Pearson (Edexcel), you can rest assured that switching to Eduqas is straightforward. Simply follow this guide, compare our specifications, and make the switch!

MAKING THE SWITCH

Switching to Eduqas is simple, just follow these quick and easy steps:

1. Follow our switcher guide for your subject.
2. Register your interest at www.eduqas.co.uk/switch and receive a printed copy of your chosen specification(s).
3. Visit your qualification page at www.eduqas.co.uk/qualification, to access the materials you need to begin teaching our specifications.
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5. Contact our subject specialists for subject specific queries, practical advice and guidance.
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7. Once registered, your Exams Officer will be able to provide you with access to our Secure Website (www.wjecservices.co.uk), which hosts a wealth of resources that are not available elsewhere.

WE'RE HERE TO SUPPORT YOU

If you have a question, simply contact our French team who will offer friendly advice and guidance:



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HELPING YOU MAKE THE SWITCH - COMPARING SPECIFICATIONS

The skills assessed and the nature of the content the assessment is based on are similar across all exam boards' specifications. This makes switching to Eduqas GCSE French straightforward. Work you have already done, or materials you already have, will still be relevant, as the skills will be the same.

SWITCHING FROM AQA

AQA	Eduqas
Paper 2: Speaking (60 marks) 25%	Component 1: Speaking (60 marks) 25%
Preparation time 7-9 minutes Foundation Tier 10-12 minutes Higher Tier Role play (15 marks) Photo card discussion (15 marks) General conversation (30 marks)	12 minutes preparation time 7-9 minutes Foundation Tier 10-12 minutes Higher Tier Role play (15 marks) Photo card discussion (15 marks) Conversation (30 marks)
Paper 1: Listening (40 marks Foundation Tier, 50 marks Higher Tier) 25%	Component 2: Listening (45 marks) 25%
5 minutes reading time 35 minutes Foundation Tier 45 minutes Higher Tier Section A questions in English, to be answered in English Section B questions in French, to be answered in French	5 minutes reading time 35 minutes Foundation Tier 45 minutes Higher Tier A range of questions in English and also in French. The spoken extracts increase in complexity as the paper progresses.
Paper 3: Reading (60 marks) 25%	Component 3: Reading (60 marks) 25%
45 minutes Foundation Tier 1 hour Higher Tier Section A questions in English, to be answered in English Section B questions in French, to be answered in French Section C translation from French into English (9 marks).	1 hour Foundation Tier 1 hour 15 minutes Higher Tier A range of questions in English and also in French. One translation into English (6 marks).

SWITCHING FROM AQA CONTINUED

AQA	Eduqas
Paper 4: Writing (50 marks at Foundation Tier, 60 marks at Higher Tier) 25%	Component 4: Writing (60 marks) 25%
<p>1 hour Foundation Tier 1 hour 15 minutes Higher Tier</p> <p>Foundation Tier:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • message (8 marks) • short passage in response to four bullet points (approx. 40 words) (16 marks) • translation into English (10 marks) • structured writing task in response to four compulsory bullet points – a choice from two questions (approx. 90 words) (16 marks). <p>Higher Tier:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • structured writing task in response to four compulsory bullet points – a choice from two questions (approx. 90 words) (16 marks) • open-ended writing task (candidate responds to two compulsory bullet points – a choice of two questions (approx. 150 words) (32 marks) • translation from English into French (12 marks). 	<p>1 hour 15 minutes Foundation Tier 1 hour 30 minutes Higher Tier</p> <p>Foundation Tier:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a short text in French (12 marks) • a short text with specified content (approx. 60 words) (16 marks) • an extended piece of writing with some specified content (approx. 90-120 words) (20 marks) • a translation of simple sentences from English into French (12 marks). <p>Higher Tier:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a piece of writing with some specified content (approx. 90-120 words) (20 marks) • an extended more complex piece of writing with some specified content - a choice of two questions (approx. 150-180 words) (28 marks) • a translation of a short passage from English into French (12 marks).

SWITCHING FROM PEARSON

Pearson	Eduqas
Paper 2: Speaking (70 marks) 25%	Component 1: Speaking (60 marks) 25%
<p>12 minutes preparation time 7-9 minutes Foundation Tier 10-12 minutes Higher Tier</p> <p>Role play (10 marks) Picture stimulus (24 marks) Conversation (36 marks)</p>	<p>12 minutes preparation time 7-9 minutes Foundation Tier 10-12 minutes Higher Tier</p> <p>Role play (15 marks) Photo card discussion (15 marks) Conversation (30 marks)</p>
Paper 1: Listening (50 marks) 25%	Component 2: Listening (45 marks) 25%
<p>5 minutes reading time 35 minutes Foundation Tier 45 minutes Higher Tier</p> <p>Foundation Tier Section A set in English, answers in English. Section B set in French, answers in French.</p> <p>Higher Tier Section A set in French, answers in French. Section B set in English, answers in English.</p>	<p>5 minutes reading time 35 minutes Foundation Tier 45 minutes Higher Tier</p> <p>A range of questions in English and also in French. The spoken extracts increase in complexity as the paper progresses.</p>
Paper 3: Reading (50 marks) 25%	Component 3: Reading (60 marks) 25%
<p>45 minutes Foundation Tier 1 hour Higher Tier</p> <p>Section A set in English, answers in English. Section B set in French, answers in French. Section C translation into English (7 marks).</p>	<p>1 hour Foundation Tier 1 hour 15 minutes Higher Tier</p> <p>A range of questions in English and also in French. One translation into English (6 marks).</p>

SWITCHING FROM PEARSON CONTINUED

Pearson	Eduqas
Paper 4: Writing (60 marks at Foundation Tier, 60 marks at Higher Tier) 25%	Component 4: Writing (60 marks) 25%
<p>1 hour 10 minutes Foundation Tier 1 hour 20 minutes Higher Tier</p> <p>Foundation Tier: Question 1 – (approx. 20-30 words) (12 marks) Question 2 – formal style (approx. 40-50 words) (16 marks) Question 3 – response to four bullet points – a choice of two questions (approx. 80-90 words) (20 marks) Question 4 - translation of sentences into French (12 marks).</p> <p>Higher Tier: Question 1 – response to four bullet points – a choice of two questions (approx. 80-90 words) (20 marks) Question 2 – response to four bullet points – a choice of two questions, formal style (approx. 130-150 words) (28 marks) Question 3 – translation of a passage into French (12 marks).</p>	<p>1 hour 15 minutes Foundation Tier 1 hour 30 minutes Higher Tier</p> <p>Foundation Tier:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a short text in French (12 marks) • a short text with specified content (approx. 60 words) (16 marks) • an extended piece of writing with some specified content (approx. 90-120 words) (20 marks) • a translation of simple sentences from English into French (12 marks). <p>Higher Tier:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a piece of writing with some specified content (approx. 90-120 words) (20 marks) • an extended more complex piece of writing with some specified content- a choice of two questions (approx. 150-180 words) (28 marks) • a translation of a short passage from English into French (12 marks).

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“Since moving to Eduqas I have been massively impressed by the prompt attention given to enquiries. I recommend them without hesitation.”

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