

Evening language programme 2026/27

Course title: French Post-Beginner Part II (A2.1) - online

Course descriptor/objectives

The aim of the course is to help the learner to develop basic speaking, writing, listening and reading skills, extend vocabulary and consolidate grammar for communication purposes. Therefore, by the end of the courses (A2.1 and A2.2) participants will be able to:

1. Understand sentences and frequently used expressions related to areas of most immediate relevance (e.g. very basic personal and family information, shopping, local geography, employment).
2. Can communicate in simple and routing tasks requiring a simple and direct exchange of information on familar and routine matters.
3. Can describe in simple terms aspects of their background, immediate environment and matters in areas of immediate need.

Participants will develop basic reading, listening, speaking and writing skills through a series of task-oriented sessions, and will be provided with informal formative feedback during lessons. The completion level of the course is broadly equivalent to the *A2.1* level of the **Common European Framework**.

In seminars, participants will engage in practical exercises and group interaction in order to develop relevant language learning strategies. The tutor will facilitate this process, provide useful tools and encourage participants to become independent learners and confident users of the language.

Language-specific information:

French is spoken as an official language in 29 countries and has over 300 million speakers worldwide. It is an important language for intercultural communication, acting as one of the 6 working languages of the United Nations.

As a romance language, modern French is derived from Vulgar Latin, though it resembles its counterparts (Italian, Portuguese and Spanish) much less due to Germanic influences.

Culturally, French opens speakers up to a wide range of modern and established classics such as the cinema of Jean-Luc Goddard and Jacques Tati or the literary greatness of Victor Hugo and Proust.

Prerequisite:

This non-credit-bearing weekly course is intended for learners of French who have completed an A2.1 Part I course. It may also be suitable for learners with a GCSE in French (or equivalent) who have continued to use or study the language since completing their qualification.

Coursebook and/or learning resources:

To be confirmed by the teacher.