

## French 4 Honors

- Initiate, sustain, and close a conversation at an advanced intermediate level
- Describe experiences, summarize short stories, films, and audio texts, and analyze authentic literary works using grammar appropriate to an advanced intermediate level
- Comprehend and share orally and in writing personal reactions to newspapers, magazines, internet sources, and audio texts
- Engage in spontaneous conversations through role-playing
- Compare and contrast international events from a French and American point of view

Students converse solely in French in this course.

## French 4 CP1

- Initiate, sustain, and close a conversation at an intermediate level
- Describe experiences, summarize short stories, films, audio texts and excerpts from longer literary works
- Engage in spontaneous conversations through role-playing
- Demonstrate cultural knowledge in areas such as the geography of France and francophone countries, cuisine, social practices and social structures

Students make an effort to converse in French in this course.

## French 5 Advanced Placement

- Initiate, sustain, and close a conversation using grammar and vocabulary at an advanced level
- Comprehend and analyze orally and in writing works of fiction including novels, plays, and short stories using grammar appropriate to an advanced level
- Share personal reactions to current events, films, and authentic texts through weekly journals and through oral discussion
- Compare and contrast the treatment of controversial issues from a French and American viewpoint through oral presentations
- Engage in spontaneous conversations through role-playing

Students converse solely in French in this course.

## French 5 CP 1

- Initiate, sustain, and close a conversation at an intermediate level
- Describe experiences, summarize short stories, films, audio texts and excerpts from longer literary works
- Engage in spontaneous conversations through role-playing
- Demonstrate cultural knowledge in areas such as the history of France and Francophone countries and current political events in the Francophone world.

Students make an effort to converse in French in this course.

## Related Activities

French students have the opportunity to participate in a biannual exchange program with Lycée Raoul Follereau of Nevers, France. Students from Nevers come to Westford in October and we travel to their homes in France for two weeks in April. We attend school, travel to points of interest and spend 4 days in Paris. French students are also involved in a variety of activities to practice their language skills. Examples of these are: a biannual 5-day trip to Quebec, an active French Club; and the writing of Le Grand Concours, the National French Exam.

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## Curriculum Benchmarks

### Grades 9-12

### Foreign Language

### French

### Westford Academy

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## **French 1 CP1**

- Initiate, sustain, and close a conversation using grammar and vocabulary appropriate to the beginner level
- Describe experiences of everyday life both orally and in writing using grammar and vocabulary appropriate to a beginner level
- Compare their own culture and traditions to those of the French-speaking world
- Compare the French language to English through authentic materials and media

Students begin to hear French, pose questions, and generate responses in French.

## **French 2 Honors**

- Initiate, sustain, and close a conversation using grammar at an advanced beginner level
- Comprehend and share personal reactions to short stories, magazines articles, films and internet resources in French
- Describe experiences, summarize, ask questions, and narrate stories orally, using grammar at an advanced beginner level
- Demonstrate cultural knowledge of Paris, French lifestyle, and French music
- Engage in spontaneous conversations through role-playing

Students hear primarily French and make an effort to converse in French.

## **French 2 CP1**

- Initiate, sustain, and close a conversation using grammar at a beginner level
- Comprehend and share personal reactions to authentic material and internet resources
- Describe experiences, summarize, and ask questions, using grammar at a beginner level
- Demonstrate cultural knowledge of Paris, French lifestyle and French music
- Compare the French language to English

## **French 3 Honors**

- Initiate, sustain, and close a conversation using grammar and vocabulary at an intermediate level
- Describe experiences, summarize, ask questions, and narrate stories using grammar and vocabulary at an intermediate level
- Comprehend and share orally and in writing personal reactions to authentic and adapted literary texts, magazines, newspapers, films and internet sources
- Engage in spontaneous conversations through role-playing
- Demonstrate cultural knowledge of the geography of France and francophone countries, French art, and music through oral presentations

Students hear solely French in this course and make an effort to converse in French.

## **French 3 CP 1**

- Initiate, sustain, and close a conversation using grammar and vocabulary at an advanced beginner level
- Comprehend and share orally personal reactions to short authentic material
- Describe experiences, summarize, ask questions, and retell a story using grammar and vocabulary at an advanced beginner
- Demonstrate cultural knowledge of the geography of France and francophone countries, French art, and music