

## How You Can Help Your Child Revise Effectively in MFL (French and Spanish)

For some of our students, formal exams have been something they have not completed regularly or at all. In order to support you to support them effectively at home, we would like to give you the following information:

**The Topics your child will be tested on are:**

- GCSE Theme 1: Family and relationships (including Marriage and Future Plans), Free Time (including sport/TV/cinema/eating out), Technology, Festivals and celebrations
- GCSE Theme 2: Holidays, Home and Local Area, Environment, Poverty & Charity
- GCSE Theme 3: School, describing school, jobs and future ambitions.
- Using present, past and future tenses
- Reading and listening skills (see hints and tips)
- Writing including translation (see hints and tips)
- Speaking -role play, photo card and general conversation (see hints and tips)

### Suggested Revision Focus:

Week commencing	Focus
9 <sup>th</sup> December	<p><b>GCSE Theme 1 – Family &amp; Relationships and Free Time</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Revise key vocabulary using flashcards, mind-maps and online learning sites such as Quizlet or Linguagenut. Vocabulary list in files &amp; on TEAMS.</li> <li>• Complete Reading &amp; Listening exam style questions on the above topics using eRevision, Linguagenut or TEAMS.</li> <li>• Practice writing on your family relationships and free time activities using 3 tenses. Practice questions on TEAMS.</li> <li>• Learn Theme 1 speaking general conversation questions.</li> </ul>
16 <sup>th</sup> December	<p><b>GCSE Theme 1 – Family &amp; Relationships and Free Time</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Revise key vocabulary using flashcards, mind-maps and online learning sites such as Quizlet or Linguagenut. Vocabulary list in files &amp; on TEAMS.</li> <li>• Complete Reading &amp; Listening exam style questions on the above topics using eRevision, Linguagenut or TEAMS.</li> <li>• Practice writing on your family relationships and free time activities using 3 tenses. Practice questions on TEAMS.</li> <li>• Learn Theme 1 speaking general conversation questions.</li> </ul>
6 <sup>th</sup> January	<p><b>GCSE Theme 2 – Holidays and Home &amp; Local Area</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Revise key vocabulary using flashcards, mind-maps and online learning sites such as Quizlet or Linguagenut. Vocabulary list in files &amp; on TEAMS.</li> <li>• Complete Reading &amp; Listening exam style questions on the above topics using eRevision, Linguagenut or TEAMS.</li> <li>• Practice writing on Holidays, Home &amp; local area using 3 tenses. Practice questions on TEAMS.</li> <li>• Learn Theme 2 speaking general conversation questions.</li> </ul>
13 <sup>th</sup> January	<p><b>GCSE Theme 2 – Environment and Poverty &amp; Charity</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Revise key vocabulary using flashcards, mind-maps and online learning sites such as Quizlet or Linguagenut. Vocabulary list in files &amp; on TEAMS.</li> <li>• Complete Reading &amp; Listening exam style questions on the above topics using eRevision, Linguagenut or TEAMS.</li> <li>• Practice writing on your Environment, poverty and charity using 3 tenses. Practice questions on TEAMS.</li> <li>• Learn Theme 2 speaking general conversation questions.</li> </ul>
20 <sup>th</sup> January	<p><b>GCSE Theme 3 – School</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Revise key vocabulary using flashcards, mind-maps and online learning sites such as Quizlet or Linguagenut. Vocabulary list in files &amp; on TEAMS.</li> <li>• Complete Reading &amp; Listening exam style questions on the above topics using eRevision, Linguagenut or TEAMS.</li> <li>• Practice writing on school life using 3 tenses. Practice questions on TEAMS.</li> <li>• Learn Theme 3 speaking general conversation questions.</li> </ul>

## Suggested Revision Focus:

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27 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>GCSE Theme 3 – Jobs</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Revise key vocabulary using flashcards, mind-maps and online learning sites such as Quizlet or Linguagenut. Vocabulary list in files &amp; on TEAMS.</li><li>• Complete Reading &amp; Listening exam style questions on the above topics using eRevision, Linguagenut or TEAMS.</li><li>• Practice writing on jobs using 3 tenses. Practice questions on TEAMS.</li><li>• Learn Theme 3 speaking general conversation questions.</li></ul>
3 <sup>rd</sup> February	<b>All themes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Revise strategies for role play</li><li>• Revise strategies for photo card</li><li>• Revise General Conversation Questions- Theme 1, 2 &amp; 3.</li><li>• Use TEAMS to practice for speaking exam.</li></ul>

## Recommended revision sites/resources:

- **TEAMS** – On your child's MFL class TEAMS site there are many useful revision resources to use. You will also find the vocabulary lists and knowledge organisers for each topic. All resources are also available on the central year 11 revision site.
- **Knowledge Organisers and Vocabulary Lists** - Available through your child's teacher in their book / file or also available on TEAMS.
- **Linguagenut** - An online language learning platform to practice vocabulary, grammar and reading and listening skills. All students have been given an individual username and password for Linguagenut. Class teachers can support with resetting log-in details if required.
- **Quizlet and Memrise** – These are fantastic free websites which generates different quizzes for different vocabulary topics.
- **eRevision** - An online language learning platform with reading and listening exam style questions. All students have access to eRevision using their school email address and their chosen password. Class teachers can support with resetting log-in details if required.

## Hints and Tips:

### Vocabulary learning

- Little and often is the key to success! Spend 10 minutes a day on some of the recommended websites practicing your vocabulary through the various games available, or test yourself using flashcards.
- A good knowledge of vocabulary will support you in all areas of your MFL exams.

### Reading and listening

- Read the questions carefully, annotate the text/paper with key vocabulary and follow the top tips from your teacher for each question style. See exam strategies powerpoint on TEAMS.

### 90 & 150 word tasks

In order to be successful, you must:

- Revise the 90 word task grid
- Cover all bullet points
- Include justified opinions
- Include present, past and future tenses
- Include complex structures
- Include a wide range of vocabulary and structures – remember AVOCADOS to help you!

### Translation

- Annotate your translations – look for the verbs – who is doing the action?
- Check your tenses!
- Try to have an educated guess if you are unsure – don't leave any gaps!

### Speaking

- Role play- keep it short and simple
- Photo Card- develop each answer with 3 verbs and a justified opinion
- General conversation- use a variety of vocabulary, tenses and complex language.