
PETERS TOWNSHIP MIDDLE SCHOOL

COURSE SYLLABUS: FRENCH IB

Course Information	Teacher Information
<u>Course Length:</u> Full Year	<u>Name:</u> Madame Shannon Nardello

Course Overview and Essential Skills

Level 1B is a continuation of the 1A course. Students are exposed to additional vocabulary and grammatical concepts providing them opportunities to expand their knowledge of the target language. Further exploration of cultural components enhances the language learning experience. After successful completion of Level 1B, students enroll in Level II of the same language at the high school.

Students will define review and new vocabulary terms in thematic topics. They will work to apply these terms in context in a variety of settings. Vocabulary lists, practice quizzes, and online tools will be provided for review and practice, but students should also review these terms on their own. Students will apply vocabulary in class through listening, speaking, reading, and writing activities. Students will be assessed through in-class activities, quizzes, tests and performance tasks.

Students will learn review and new grammar topics. They will work to apply these in context in a variety of settings. Grammar explanations, note sheets, PowerPoints, homework assignments, and online tools will be provided for review and practice, but students may need to spend additional time outside of class reviewing these structures and their application. Students will apply these grammatical topics in class through listening, speaking, reading and writing activities. Students will be assessed through in-class activities, quizzes, tests and performance tasks.

Students will learn about a variety of relevant cultural topics. Students may be asked to research certain topics to achieve a greater level of understanding of French-speaking people and their culture. Students will be exposed to cultural topics through text, film, music, and holiday celebrations. Students will be assessed on cultural topics through tests, quizzes, projects, web quests, and essays. Students will need to compare cultural products, practices, and structure/function of language from French-speaking countries with that of their own.

Course Textbook, Supplemental Resources and Required Materials

- Title: D'accord! 1: *Lanuge et Culture du Monde Francophone*. Boston: Vista Higher Learning, Inc. ISBN: 978-1-61857-863-1
- Other: Online textbook and activities www.vhlcentral.com
Conjuguemos www.conjuguemos.com
French music, videos, and holidays (to be addressed throughout the year)
Un-Classic Fairy Tales in French. Grand Rapids: Teacher's Discovery. ISBN: 978-0-7560-1545-9.
21 mini-contes. Grand Rapids: Teacher's Discovery. ISBN: 978-0-7560-3912-7.
Les vacances du Petit Nicholas. Mongrel Media, 2014.
7 Days France, Travelvideostore.com, 2007
Rick Steve's France, Back Door Productions, 2013
- Binder with 5 dividers, notebook paper, writing utensils

Course Outline of Material Covered:

Unit or Topic	Course Activities/Resources	Timeframe
At the café	<p>Topics include conjugating verbs, using interrogative words, identifying food, drink, and places around town vocabulary, discussing French cafes and the region of Normandy, and the library research project- French speaking cities.</p> <p>Lesson quizzes, unit tests, listening activities, video activities, workbook homework, supersite activities and in class assignments will be used as assessments.</p> <p>French holidays and other cultural topics will be addressed throughout the year with readings, music, food, and video.</p> <p>D'accord textbook and workbook, teacher-created activities, videos, music, supersite, and conjuguemos are some of the resources that will be used throughout the year.</p>	First trimester
Free time	<p>Topics include: The verb faire, irregular -IR verbs, spelling changing -ER verbs, identifying sports, weather, and seasons vocabulary, numbers over 100, the Loire Valley, and public gardens.</p> <p>Lesson quizzes, unit tests, listening activities, video activities, workbook homework, supersite activities and in class assignments will be used as assessments.</p> <p>French holidays and other cultural topics will be addressed throughout the year with readings, music, food, and video.</p> <p>D'accord textbook and workbook, teacher-created activities, videos, music, supersite, and conjuguemos are some of the resources that will be used throughout the year.</p>	Second trimester
Holidays	<p>Topics include: Demonstrative adjectives, past tense with avoir, indirect object pronouns, regular and irregular -RE verbs, clothing, celebrations, and periods of life</p>	Third trimester

	<p>vocabulary, Aquitaine, Midi-Pyrenees, Languedoc-Roussillon, and fashion in France.</p> <p>Lesson quizzes, unit tests, listening activities, video activities, workbook homework, supersite activities and in class assignments will be used as assessments.</p> <p>French holidays and other cultural topics will be addressed throughout the year with readings, music, food, and video.</p> <p>D'accord textbook and workbook, teacher-created activities, videos, music, supersite, and conjuguemos are some of the resources that will be used throughout the year.</p>	
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****Depending on the needs of the class or changes in the school year, the course outline is subject to change.***