



GCSE French
GCSE German
GCSE Spanish

AQA Exam Board



Benton Park School and Sixth Form

Together we belong, develop character and achieve excellence



Kindness

We care for each other
and our community.



Resilience

We persevere and
embrace challenges



Responsibility

We act with integrity
and ambition

We are Kind, We are Resilient, We are Responsible, **We are Benton Park**

What will we study?

3 Themes



People and Lifestyle

- Identity
- Relationships
- Marriage/partnerships
- Healthy Living
- Lifestyle
- School
- Education after GCSEs
- Jobs, careers, future



Popular Culture

- Music
- Cinema & TV
- Sport
- Customs & Festivals
- Celebrations
- Celebrity Culture



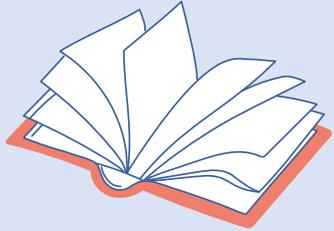
Communication and the World around us

- Travel & Tourism
- Media & Technology
- Environment
- Where People Live



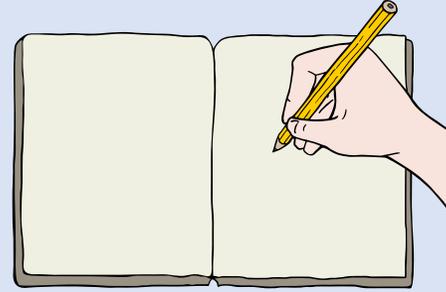


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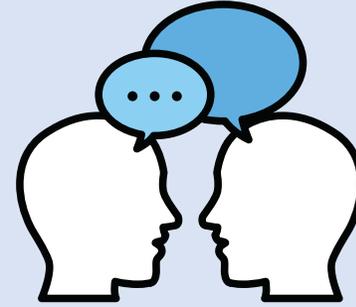
READING
25% of GCSE

- Questions in English
- Translate 5 sentences from target language into English



WRITING
25% of GCSE

- Foundation: gap-fill & describe a photo
- 2 Writing Tasks
- Translation from English into target language



SPEAKING
25% of GCSE

- Role-play
- Read aloud task
- Discussion of a photo card
 - General conversation



LISTENING
25% of GCSE

- Questions in English and a short dictation

What students enjoy about language lessons



“We learn the language in different ways, and it is not only written work. We use Quizlet and other websites that are fun.”

“The most difficult thing is the tenses. Start learning them straight away and they get easier”



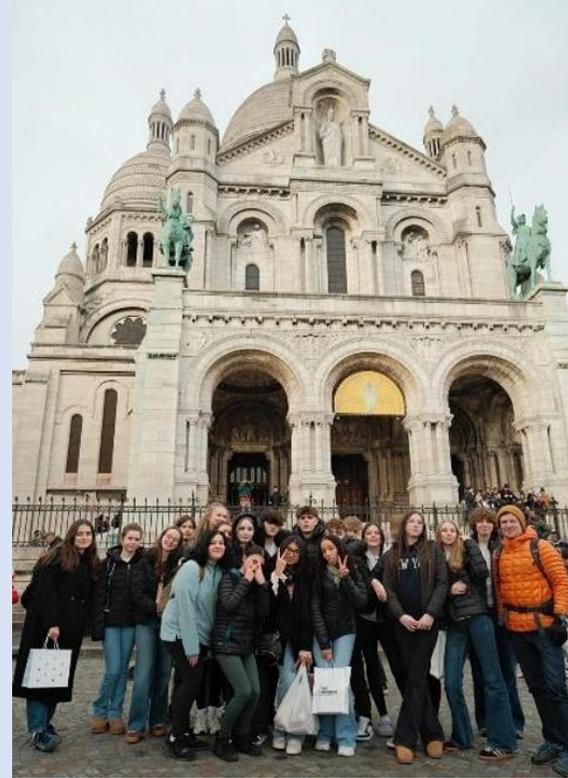
“The teachers are really helpful around revision and assessment and help when you are feeling nervous about exams. Especially the speaking exam.”



“I enjoy the fact that smaller classes allow opportunity for class discussions and everyone is involved, you get feedback from your teachers, and I enjoy being able to learn new vocabulary”

“The teachers give us lots of support. Writing feels easy now that we have lots of tips. It is a challenge, but it is rewarding.”

French: Immersion Trip to Paris

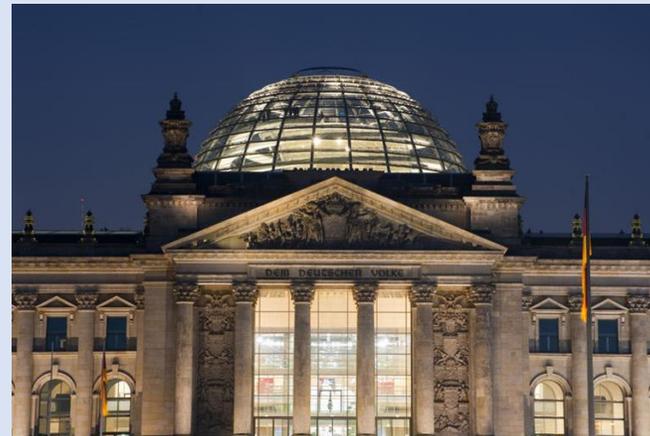


- Cultural visits around major sites
- Shopping at the Galerie Lafayette
- Ordering lunch at Montmartre

German: Immersion Trip to Berlin



- Reichstag (German Parliament)
- Shopping at the "Ku'damm"
- Fernsehturm (TV Tower)



Spanish: Immersion Trip to Cádiz



- Visits around Cádiz and el Puerto de Santa María
- Shopping for ingredients and cooking Paella, flamenco dance lesson
- Meeting locals at the beach and at the park

Work Experience

The screenshot shows the homepage of Blue Stamp Travel. At the top left is the logo, which consists of a blue stamp-like shape with the words 'BLUE STAMP TRAVEL' inside, flanked by red curved lines. To the right of the logo is the tagline 'REMOVING BARRIERS' and a phone number '+44 (0) 115 9404 500'. Below the tagline are three stylized maps of France, Germany, and Spain. Further right are several accreditation logos, including ABTA (Travel with confidence, ABTA No. Y6725, 11909), IALC Premium Agent 2024, and others. A blue navigation bar contains the following menu items: HOME, OUR SERVICES, RESOURCES, POLICIES, GALLERY, BLOG, ABOUT Us, SHOP, and CONTACT Us. Below the navigation bar is a search icon. The main content area features the heading 'Work Experience Abroad' in red, followed by the text: 'Our unique trips abroad for Sixth Form language students looking to improve their language and transferable workplace skills. Arrive with or without friends and make new ones!'. At the bottom right is a large red button with the text 'ENROL ONLINE' and a downward-pointing arrow icon.

Work Placement with Spark

This option is only available for candidates at university coming with Erasmus grant (or variations of). The candidates becomes a full member of spark team, learning vital work skills and gaining a powerful reference to use in the future. This option has a small compensation.





FAQS

I DON'T LIKE SPEAKING, WILL I HAVE TO DO A SPEAKING EXAM?

Yes, but this is done with your normal class teacher and we do lots of practice in class. After we've practised and got lots of 1 to 1 feedback, you'll feel confident.

HOW DIFFERENT IS IT TO YEAR 9?

There is an increase in the challenge at GCSE, but the same skills are covered - reading, listening, speaking, writing, and even some of the same topics, just in more depth.





FAQS

HOW DO I LEARN ALL THE VOCABULARY?

We give you lots of support, strategies and resources to help you learn vocabulary and grammar. There are lots of apps online to help too.

WHAT IF I SPEAK A LANGUAGE THAT ISN'T FRENCH OR SPANISH ALREADY?

This is great, and means you will most likely pick up Spanish or French easily. Consider taking an extra GCSE as a community language.





Students' advice to year 9

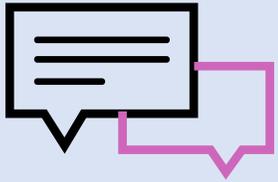
“GO FOR IT!!, it looks good on your CV, and you can participate in learning new things about people and their cultural world and how they're different!”

“Take languages, the teachers are very helpful and they actually act upon what and listen to what students say. Also, with languages your first language is improved and it can improve performance in other academic areas”

“Choose languages, because they prepare you for a good future, for example It's not as hard as you think.” ✓



Why study language?



Better communication



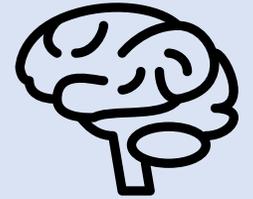
Cultural awareness



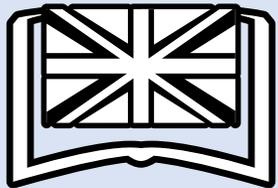
Better maths skills



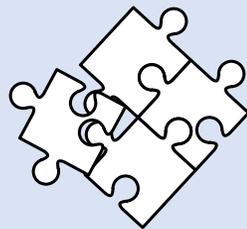
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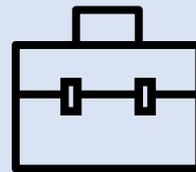
Better memory



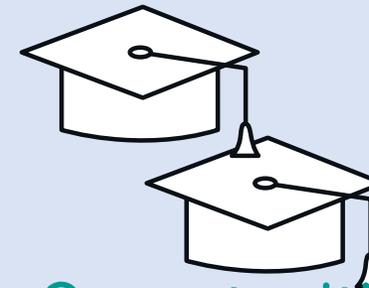
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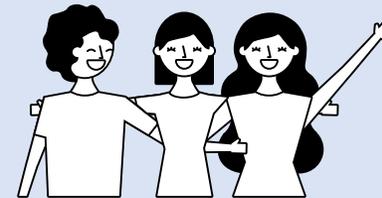
Improved logic



Better career prospects



Opportunities for combined degrees



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