

Welcome to Year 13 French!

Please complete, over the summer, the following tasks which are going to be essential for succeeding in your A level.

Task 1: Independent Research Project

Over the summer, you need to continue your work on your Independent Research Project completing your booklet, making sure you can find the resources that you need and that there is enough information to conduct a meaningful presentation (2 minutes) and following discussion (10 minutes). By the time you come back, I will expect to see evidence that you are completing your IRP Booklets thoroughly and are on top of your IRP Project as this is worth 35 marks out of a total of 60 marks in your Speaking Exam (30% of total A Level).

Within the first week, you will be required to do a 2 minute presentation (using your notes or flash cards) in front of your peers about your IRP topic in French. You will be assessed on the knowledge of your topic (5 marks) and your range of vocabulary and complex structures (10 marks). This is part of your Initial Assessment.

Task 2: Read “Un Sac de Billes “ by Joseph Joffo

You will need to buy this book yourself and Amazon is probably a good place to do this. I would like you to buy your own copies so that you can come to lessons in September with useful commentary and notes.

TOP TIPS FOR SUCCESS!

Step 1: Read **The Study Guide** *in full*; Introduction, Characters, Synopsis, Context, Themes and Chapters.

Step 2: Listen to the **Audio Tutorial** *explanation* chapter by chapter and make notes in your own copy of the book. Note: there are sometimes two audio files per slide, you just need to listen to the bit with the **English explanation**.

Step 3: Reread the chapter in **The Study Guide** for *clarification*

Please use the Student Guide and Audio Tutorials I have given to you to help you understand what is happening in the book. The ‘Top Tips for Success’ will guide you really well through your Book Study.

Task 3: Master all the tenses seen during Year 12 for a Yr 13 Progress Grammar Test

Part of the **October Monthly assessment** will be a thorough verb test on all the tenses covered this year (present, perfect, imperfect, pluperfect, conditional, future, past conditional, future perfect, subjunctive) for both regular and irregular verbs.

- Please refer to the Grammar Booklet I have given you.
- Use your Grammar 'Traps and Pitfalls' Sheet you have been given

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Task 4: Revise your Film Study Resources

Although we will be focussing on the book study at the start of Yr13, it is important that you constantly review and revise your **film study notes, your Progress Questions and answers and all your revision resources.**

Task 5: Revise all of the content covered in Yr12

Use the Yr12 Summer Revision Programme to continue revising all the elements of the Yr12 course we have covered together.

One last very important thing: I want to support and encourage you throughout your studies and this continues over the summer holidays. If you have any questions, worries, problems or concerns over the summer about the SiL or anything else relating to French at New College Bradford, please do not hesitate in emailing me so that I can help. dave.steventon@nclt.ac.uk

Bonnes vacances!