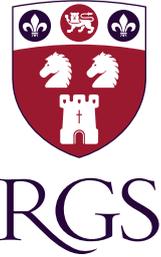


# MODERN LANGUAGES: FRENCH, GERMAN AND SPANISH



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Examination board: French – AQA 7652, German – AQA 7662, Spanish – AQA 7692



*“If you recognise that language skills are key to worldwide business, trade and commerce, enjoy communicating opinions and ideas and discussing **topical issues** in the chosen language, and want to learn about other **cultures** and ways of life by analysing and evaluating these, you may find one or more of our Modern Language A Levels are right for you.”*



## PROGRAMME OF STUDY

The multi-disciplinary topics studied during the course cover a wide range of issues, including controversial social issues and phenomena, such as youth culture, big tech, and diversity. You'll also study politics, current affairs, history, and learn about intellectual culture (past and present) through film and literature.

Your language skills will be developed through listening (including interviews, conversations, radio broadcasts, podcasts, videos and work with native speakers); speaking (including role-play scenarios, dialogues, debates, short presentations, general and regular conversations with a native speaker, competitions and trips abroad); reading (including articles, letters, reports, research projects, poems, descriptions and essays); and studying grammar (via games, revision, practice, self-study and online).

We offer students some fantastic opportunities and unforgettable experiences, as well as expert tuition, in our three A Level languages, plus *Complementary Studies* programme courses. We offer work experience in France, Germany and Spain, trips abroad, cinema workshops, linguistics olympiads, theatre visits, essay and creative writing prize competitions and residential courses at Leeds University and Villiers Park, not to mention Oxbridge tuition. There are opportunities aplenty to get involved with the department by becoming a Language Prefect or Mentor. Students flourish by taking charge of co-curricular clubs, such as the Linguistics Society.

## ASSESSMENT

- All the elements studied across the two years of A Level will be assessed formally at the end of the course.
- Your knowledge and understanding of facts relating to the culture of your chosen language will also be assessed, principally through essays and the Individual Research Project.

## FUTURE PLANS

Modern Languages complement virtually all subjects. The number of universities which now offer Modern Languages with other subjects has burgeoned, such as law, economics, business and management, sciences, IT and more. You will find these degree courses will often involve an element of studying abroad so a high level of language competence is required.

## TO APPLY

Grade 7–9 in the chosen language at GCSE is strongly recommended.