

Samuel Whitbread Academy – A Level French Summer Work

1. Grammar revision

The best thing you can do to prepare for A Level French at Samuel Whitbread is spend the summer revising all of the grammar that you should have already learnt so far in preparation for the intensive grammar sessions that you will have in September. The best way to do this would be to request a grammar workbook to be sent to you from our main French teacher, Miss Gaskin. Just send a quick email to vgaskin@bestacademies.org.uk and she will send you the workbook which is filled with reminders on how to form all of the tenses and then activities to revise the formations. An alternative to the workbook is to go to <https://www.bonjourdefrance.com/grammaire-francaise> and work through the explanations then check your learning with online quizzes and tests.

2. Watch French television and listen to French Radio

You can watch a range of television series and most are available for free online: you can use this link to access a range of programmes <http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/french/>

Radio France Internationale

Includes audio news with transcripts in simple French

BBC Afrique

News in French for French-speaking Africa

TV5: Apprendre.TV

French-learning website in French from the Francophone global TV channel

French TV and French news online

How to watch in the UK

Déjà Vu

Radio play about a bilingual love affair

French Connection

Interviews about French across the world

La Vie en Creuse

Audio interviews in rural France

3. Read French newspapers and social media

You can use these websites to access a variety of French newspapers to improve your vocabulary

<https://yourfrenchcorner.com/learn-french-newspaper/>

<https://frenchtogether.com/french-newspaper/>

<https://www.fluentu.com/blog/french/french-culture/>

For a list of more sources of TV, Radio and News or even French Netflix recommendations, please contact Miss Gaskin (vgaskin@bestacademies.org.uk).