WJEC Modern Foreign Languages
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1. GCSE Modern Foreign Languages

What’s new for French, German and Spanish?

Crown House Publishers are developing GCSE textbooks to cover the themes and four skills, with integrated grammar sections, translations, role-plays, photo cards and examples of authentic literary-type texts. The textbook has been written to meet the demands of the new GCSE qualifications in French, German and Spanish.

The cost of the book is set at £18.99

View Publisher website

Dates for your diary

The Summer 2017 examinations timetable has now been finalised. The key dates are available on the WJEC website.

CPD Courses

GCSE French

The course is led by subject specialists who have in-depth experience and knowledge of the specification and course content.

Cardiff – Thursday 8 December 2016 – Book Now

Llanelli – Tuesday 13 December 2016 – Book Now

Glasdir Business Centre, Llanrwst – Thursday 5 January 2017 – Book Now

GCSE German

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GCSE Spanish

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Please note that some of these events are being sponsored by regional consortia and the full fee may therefore not apply to your school if your school comes under the remit of a Regional Consortium, ERW, GWE, EAS or CSC.

We look forward to seeing you at one of our events soon.

Examiner and Moderator Vacancies

We continue to recruit examiners and moderators for all our subjects. If you are interested in examining for us please visit the website for further details and to apply.

Examining and moderating offers you a unique and rewarding opportunity to gain a greater understanding of your subject. The work is flexible and can be done in your own time alongside your current teaching position.

Where there are no vacancies, your application will be stored and referred to as and when vacancies become available.

Resources

We are continually developing a wide range of resources to support you in the delivery of our qualifications.

Why not bookmark our qualifications page to keep up to date with new resources?
2. GCE AS and A level Modern Foreign Languages

What’s new?
We have been working to create teaching packs for each of the AS/A level sub-themes which we will continue to update. These resources will all be available, free of charge, to download from our website. The resources include the following:

**Films** – a series of interactive resources including units dealing with ambience, character, structure and themes.

**Themes** – These are a mix of interactive and pdf/paper based resources on all themes and sub-themes including reading, listening (audio files included) and translation exercises with suggested responses.

These can be accessed via our Digital Resources website.

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The Conference Centre, Nantgarw, Cardiff – Thursday 3 November – [Book Now]

**AS/A level German**

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AS/A level Spanish

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3. Vocational Languages

Language Units

WJEC offers internally assessed language units (QCF) which provide formal accreditation for demonstrating language learning competence. We offer qualifications in the following languages: French, German, Spanish, Italian, Mandarin, Japanese, Russian and Cornish at Entry Level, Level 1 and Level 2.
These qualifications are ideal for use in a range of settings including:

- Primary school learners
- Lunchtime or afterschool language clubs
- KS3 pupils
- College Students
- Lifelong learning courses


New Vocational Award in Global Business Communication

WJEC will be offering a new vocational MFL language qualification from September 2017.

The Vocational Award in Global Business Communication will provide an alternative to GCSE and will be available in:

- French
- German
- Spanish

Developed in conjunction with businesses, language institutes and teachers, these qualifications will provide a practical and exciting MFL qualification that will facilitate a learners' ability to work in global markets and develop their language skills in real life work contexts.

"Born Global" research by the British Academy indicates that language competence is a major enabling skill. Learners will develop language skills to be able to undertake activities such as:

- International work and travel
- Building global customer relationships
- Global sales and marketing

Briefing sessions to introduce the new course will be taking place at consortia MFL network meetings throughout the autumn term.

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5. Secure Website

The WJEC Secure Website provides access to a range of resources including circulars, past papers and marking schemes. The Secure Website can be accessed by authorised staff at centres that work with WJEC.

If your centre is not registered, please email securewebsite@wjec.co.uk stating centre number, centre name, contact name and contact email address.

6. Subscribe

Encourage your colleagues to sign up for updates and be kept informed of the latest developments and important information. Visit our website to subscribe.

7. Useful Contacts

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch with our dedicated team.

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