



Co-op Academy
Priesthorpe

Key Stage 4
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Languages

Links to key websites

<https://www.pearsonactivelearn.com/app/Home>

www.memrise.com

<https://uk.language-gym.com/>

<https://www.aqa.org.uk/find-past-papers-and-mark-schemes>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zhsvr82>

Exam Details:

Our exam courses are the AQA GCSE French and Spanish courses. Students will sit four exams at the end of year 11 which are all equally weighted at 25% each of the final grade. The exams are:

Listening

Reading

Speaking

Writing

Students must sit all four exams in the same tier, either Foundation or Higher. Foundation allows students to achieve grades 1-5 and Higher allows students to achieve grades 4-9.

What we study and when:

FRENCH

Y10

Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Who am I? Interests and freetime	Interests and free time Celebrations	Celebrations Talking about town

Y11

Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Talking about town Holidays	School and future study Jobs	Global issues~ Exam skills and preparation

SPANISH

Y10

Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Holidays My life at school	My life at school The people around me	Interests and influences Talking about town

Y11

Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Talking about town Festivals	Work and future employment	Global issues Exam skills and preparation

How you can support your child:



Learn languages and have your say!

How to support your child in their language learning

Revision guides:

We do not provide revision guides as such for languages as they are not particularly helpful. Instead we offer Target 5/9 books which are workbooks that support students in developing their writing skills. These guides are discounted through school and are £2 each and will shortly be available to order on ParentPay. If you wish to get one of these workbooks for your child, please ask them to check with their French/Spanish teacher to see which one they need.

Free revision resources:

Active Learn

As a department we invest in ActiveLearn online which accompanies the text book which we use in class. If your child is in KS4 they will be receiving a login for this over the next couple of weeks. Students can log into the site and complete additional listening, reading, grammar and vocab activities and teachers are also able to set home-learning tasks.

Language gym

Workouts are available for topic vocabulary and grammar points on www.language-gym.com a free website. A great tool for widening vocabulary and practising grammar skills independently at home.

Duolingo

A free app which builds up language in fun activities, it also gives you to opportunity listen to the language and speak it.

Memrise

Students are regularly given Memrise home-learning tasks but they should also be using it daily for 5 minutes' revision, the wider their vocabulary the better they will do in the exams.

Online Radio

Students can listen to the radio online on sites such as www.rfi.fr (French) or www.rtve.es/radio/ (Spanish). They won't understand every word and we wouldn't expect them to but having the radio on in the background will train their brains and ears to pick out words that they recognise, a great skill for the listening exam!

Mary Glasgow Magazines

We have a range of French Magazines within the department which KS4 pupils may borrow to read at home should they wish. Some groups read these during ERIC in languages lessons.