

## Westbourne House School Revision – Easter Term

### 8S FRENCH REVISION CHECKLIST

#### The Exams will consist of:

- Three papers + 1 oral exam:  
(NB: the durations may differ slightly according to the specific Scholarship paper from different schools)
  - *Listening Paper: duration 25 minutes (taken in normal lesson time under exam conditions)*
    - Pupils will listen to a recording in French but the questions and answers will be in English.
    - Full sentences will not be required.
    - Pupils will need to listen out for the different verb tenses.
  - *Reading Paper: duration 30 minutes*
    - Pupils will read texts of increasing length and detail in French but the questions and answers will be either in English or French depending on the schools. **So this will involve translation technique.** Full sentences will not be required.
    - All reading papers at this level are not only comprehension but also grammatical obstacle courses, so attention must be given to verb tenses and ‘the small grammatical details’
  - *Writing Paper: duration 30 minutes*
    - Long essay (approximately 140 words): either a letter or an article is to be written based on a selection of topic areas.
    - It is vital that as many of the following tenses are used in the Writing Paper as possible: **present, past, imperfect, pluperfect, future, future past, conditional, conditional past, present and past participle, the passive.**
    - A variety of **negatives** should be used and at least a **comparative** and / or **superlative**.
    - Opinions are important.
  - *Oral Exam: duration maximum of 15 minutes*
    - Based upon the questions from the topics studied: “La Maison et les Corvées” , “La Région”, “La Vie Scolaire”, “En Forme”, and “La Famille”
    - Pupils should ensure they are confident to talk about all of these subjects as if they were holding a normal conversation, rather than feeling they have to learn the details off by heart. Intonation is important.
    - Brighton College: requires candidates to **also** talk about a picture where grammatical accuracy and variety (as detailed above) will be of the utmost importance

#### Equipment you will need for the exam:

- Fountain pen and spare cartridges
- Pencil (Eraser/Sharpener)

- Ruler
- Highlighter (optional)

PAGES	ISEB Revision Guide	DONE?
All vocabulary from this book should be known.		

PAGES	WHAT TO REVISE: GCSE French: Complete Revision & Practice	DONE?
138-9	Nouns	
140	Conjunctions	
144-147	Adjectives	
150	Adverbs	
151	Comparatives & Superlatives	
152-3	Prepositions	
156-159	Pronouns	
163-7	Verbs + Present Tense	
170	The Future	
171-3	The Past	
176-7	The Past (Imperfect)	
178	Reflexive Verbs	
179	Negatives	
180	Conditional	
183	Imperative	
184	Savoir, Connaître & pouvoir	
185	Pluperfect, Present Participle & Venir de	
ALL THE REVISION PAGES ARE VERY USEFUL TOOLS TO USE TO CONFIRM YOUR KNOWLEDGE CDs can be made available on request.		

	<p><b>French Verb Revision Drills:</b></p> <p>8S need only concentrate on learning the following verb tenses:</p> <p>Infinitive, present participle, past participle, present indicative, future, conditional, past imperfect, passé composé, the imperative and the passive.</p>
19-22	Etre and avoir
63-108	Irregular Verbs

NOTES/TIPS:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For any further information or guidance about revision or the actual exam, please contact the Head of French Madame Fabienne Bennison (<a href="mailto:fbennison@westbournehouse.org">fbennison@westbournehouse.org</a>).</li> </ul>