



French Skills Progression

| Knowledge Strands | Modes and modalities | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
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| Phonics | Recognition & Production (Sound (L) to print (W)) | I have learnt the SSC and phonics key words and remember them. I can match the French SSC I hear to print and transcribe accurately the SSC I know best. I enjoy listening to and joining in with simple songs and rhymes. | I can link SSC to new words I hear. I listen and transcribe SSC within single words with some success. I use sound-spelling links to follow when I listen and read. I enjoy listening to and joining in with simple songs and rhymes. | I have learnt about vowel combinations and stress patterns. I identify these when listening. I connect sound and spelling by transcribing a range of new words and parts of words. I enjoy listening to and joining in with songs and short poems. | I can listen and write short phrases including unfamiliar words more accurately, when focusing on transcription. I enjoy listening to and joining in with songs and short poems. |
| | Recognition & Production (Print (R) to sound (S)) | I can readily read aloud the SSC and phonics key words. I can carefully sound out some unfamiliar words and parts of words with some success, focusing on a few SSC at any one time. | I can read aloud familiar words observing certain pronunciation rules (silent letters, accent/ stress markers, etc) and some unknown words. My pronunciation is usually comprehensible. | I can read aloud many familiar words with clear and comprehensible pronunciation. More slowly and carefully, I can decode unfamiliar words using SSC knowledge. | I read familiar words and short sentences aloud with clear and comprehensible pronunciation. I can read aloud single unknown words more readily. |
| Vocabulary | Understanding (Aural (L) / Written (R)) | I understand around 100 words when I listen and read them as single items and in short sentences which describe people, places, things and actions. | I understand around 200 words when I listen and read them as single items and in short sentences which describe people, places, things and actions. I look words up in an alphabetical word list. | I understand around 300 words when I listen and read them as single items and in short and compound sentences which describe people, places, things and actions. I am beginning to use the words I know in a sentence to work out likely meanings of single unknown words. I also use a dictionary. | I understand around 400 words when I listen and read them as single items and in short and compound sentences which describe people, places, things and actions. I can use the words I know in a sentence to work out likely meanings of single unknown words. I also use a dictionary. |

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| | Production (Oral (S) / Written (W)) | I can use around 100 words to engage in short exchanges; ask and answer questions; express opinions and respond to those of others; seek clarification and help. I can speak in and write sentences about people, places, things and actions, using familiar vocabulary and basic language structures. | I can use around 200 words to engage in short exchanges; ask and answer questions; express opinions and respond to those of others; seek clarification and help. I can speak in and write sentences about people, places, things and actions, using familiar vocabulary and basic language structures | I can use around 300 words to engage in short exchanges; ask and answer questions; express opinions and respond to those of others; seek clarification and help. I can speak in and write sentences about people, places, things and actions, using familiar vocabulary and basic language structures. | I can use around 400 words to engage in short exchanges; ask and answer questions; express opinions and respond to those of others; seek clarification and help. I can speak in and write sentences about people, places, things and actions, using familiar vocabulary and basic language structures. |
| Grammar¹ | Understanding (Aural (L) / Written (R)) | I distinguish and understand (in listening and writing) singular and plural articles (indefinite and definite), singular verbs ÊTRE, AVOIR, (il y a), regular -ER, singular adjective agreement and position (-e, -eux/-euse), regular plural noun marking (-s), intonation questions, including question words quoi, où, combien, comment, quand) | | I distinguish and understand (in listening and writing) singular and plural articles (indefinite and definite), singular and plural forms of ÊTRE, AVOIR, (il y a), regular -ER verbs, singular ALLER, FAIRE (including weather expressions), 2-verb structures with singular AIMER, DETESTER, DEVOIR, VOULOIR, POUVOIR) + infinitive, singular and plural adjectives (-e)s, -eux/-euses), intonation questions (including with quoi, où, combien, comment, quand, qui), Est-ce que questions (with WH-words), negation (ne...pas) | |
| | Production (Oral (S) / Written (W)) | To describe people, places, things and actions (in speaking and writing) I use singular and plural articles (indefinite and definite), singular verbs ÊTRE, AVOIR, il y a, regular -ER, singular adjective agreement and position (-e, -eux/-euse), regular plural noun marking (-s), intonation questions, including question words quoi, où, combien, comment, quand) | | To describe people, places, things and actions (in speaking and writing) I use singular and plural articles (indefinite and definite), singular and plural forms of ÊTRE, AVOIR, (il y a), regular -ER verbs, singular ALLER, FAIRE (including weather expressions), 2-verb structures with singular AIMER, DETESTER, DEVOIR, VOULOIR, POUVOIR) + infinitive, singular and plural adjectives (-e)s, -eux/-euses), intonation questions (including with quoi, où, combien, comment, quand, qui), Est-ce que questions (with WH-words), negation (ne...pas) | |

¹ The grammar features in lower KS2 (Y3/Y4) are all introduced in Y3 and revisited in new contexts in Y4 to deepen knowledge. The same applies to upper KS2 (Y5/6).

Key: L (Listening), S (Speaking), R (Reading), W (Writing)

