



## MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES

AWARDING BODY: EDEXCEL

QUALIFICATION: GCSE

AVAILABLE: PLEASE SEE  
COURSE OUTLINE

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This course is for students who wish to study a language they already have some knowledge of. Students will work independently with resources and be supported in their study.

**The list of languages could include: Spanish, Russian, Italian, Portuguese, Dutch, Mandarin, and Turkish**

- To develop the four skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing.
- To develop knowledge and understanding of grammar.
- To develop skills for language learning.
- To encourage positive attitudes to the way of life in the countries where these languages are spoken.

#### **Themes for listening, speaking, reading and writing**

- Identity and Culture
- Local area, holiday and travel
- School
- Future aspirations, study and work
- International and global dimension

#### **This subject is most suitable for students who:**

- enjoy communicating with people and learning about people from different cultures.
- would like to work abroad and enjoys travelling
- would like to be able to offer the skill of speaking a foreign language to a future employer.
- are considering working in business, banking, finance, medicine, engineering, law, journalism or travel.



## ASSESSMENT METHOD

All 4 skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing are assessed in 4 separate examinations at the end of Year 11. Students are entered at either Foundation level (grades1-5) or Higher level (grades4-9) Students can NOT be entered for different levels for each skill.  
Examinations – 100%

Paper	Skill	Weighting	Foundation	Higher
Unit 1	Listening	25%	35 mins	45 mins
Unit 2	Speaking	25%	7-9 mins	10-12 mins
Unit 3	Reading	25%	45 mins	1 hour
Unit 4	Writing	25%	1 hour + 10 mins	1 hour + 20 mins

## SKILLS ACQUIRED

- To acquire knowledge and understanding of the relevant language.
- To develop skills to learn languages.
- To develop awareness of the countries where these languages are spoken
- To develop all four language skills: listening, speaking, reading and writing.
- To build communication skills.

**Specification:** <https://qualifications.pearson.com/content/dam/pdf/GCSE/German/2016/specification-and-sample-assessments/Specification-Pearson-Edexcel-Level-1-Level-2-GCSE-9-1-German.pdf>

**Assessment:** [https://qualifications.pearson.com/content/dam/pdf/GCSE/Italian/2009/Specification%20and%20sample%20assessments/UG033589\\_GCSE\\_Lin\\_Italian\\_spec\\_Iss4\\_print.pdf](https://qualifications.pearson.com/content/dam/pdf/GCSE/Italian/2009/Specification%20and%20sample%20assessments/UG033589_GCSE_Lin_Italian_spec_Iss4_print.pdf)