

Course Information Sheet

French Beginners



Build a strong foundation in French language and conversation skills over 6 progressive parts (36 weeks).

Course Description: Take your first steps towards French fluency! This beginner-friendly course provides a solid foundation in grammar, vocabulary, and conversation. Over 6 parts (36 weeks), you'll learn essential greetings, introductions, numbers, basic sentence structures, and everyday expressions to navigate simple situations.

What will I learn?

- **Part 1 (Weeks 1-6):** Greetings & introductions, pronunciation basics, the alphabet, numbers 1-20, basic verbs (être, avoir, aller).
- **Part 2 (Weeks 7-12):** Asking & answering basic questions (yes/no), expressing likes & dislikes, ordering food & drinks, days of the week.
- **Part 3 (Weeks 13-18):** Describing yourself & others (physical appearance, personality), possessive adjectives, basic present tense conjugation.
- **Part 4 (Weeks 19-24):** Telling the time, talking about the weather, making comparisons, expressing needs & preferences.
- **Part 5 (Weeks 25-30):** Talking about family & friends, places in the city, giving directions & asking for them, prepositions.
- **Part 6 (Weeks 31-36):** Shopping vocabulary, expressing basic past tense, making simple future plans, cultural insights.

How will I be assessed?

- Weekly quizzes & interactive exercises to test your understanding
- Short written tasks to practise grammar & vocabulary application
- Speaking assessments with your tutor

Who is this course for?

This course is ideal for anyone with no prior French knowledge who wants to build a strong foundation for further language learning.

Progression Opportunities:

- French Improver Parts 1-6 to develop your conversation skills further

Career or Job Enhancement Pathways:

- Travel & Tourism Industry
- Hospitality Industry
- Education (language teaching)
- Import/Export Business

How do I enrol?

If you are paying the full fee, the quickest way to enrol is online at www.oucoursesouthwest.co.uk, simply create an account and select enrol now. Alternatively, you will need to speak to one of our customer service team on 01752 660713.

How will the course be delivered?

This is a practical course, and the sessions will include tutor-led demonstrations, learner-led group activities, instruction and repetition. These will form part of the delivery together with one-to-one support as required.

Will I need to practise outside the classroom?

You will be encouraged to review your notes between lessons to ensure maximum benefit from your course. It is always useful to practise your skills between sessions. Your tutor may encourage home learning, or independent research.

How will I know I'm making progress?

During the first session, your tutor will discuss your goals and current level in relation to the course. Based on this assessment, you will agree individual targets which you will record in your individual learning plan (ILP). You and your tutor will review your targets regularly to ensure that you are making progress; these will be written in your individual learning plan.

What will I need?

Please bring a notepad, and pen to each session. You may wish to bring a file for any handouts. A laptop with internet access is required for completion of coursework and home learning outside of the classroom.

Please note:

Most courses attract a subsidy from the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA). It is a requirement of the ESFA that you complete various forms at different stages of your course, further information is available on request. Courses are subject to a minimum number of enrolments and could be cancelled if recruitment is low. In some cases, an alternative class at a different location may be offered.

Terms and conditions are available at
<https://www.oncoursesouthwest.co.uk/learner-information/essential-information-for-every-learner>
Room numbers are subject to change - please check when you arrive at the venue.

