

Changes to the French exam 2022

Optionality for Paper 4 (Writing)

- There will be more optionality in the Writing component for summer 2022.
- Writing papers will include an additional optional question for the overlap question at both tiers (Question 4/Question 1) and for Higher tier Question 2.
- Global issues (Theme 2) and Education Post 16 are omitted from the Foundation Writing only

Foundation tier

There will be an additional option for Question 4 and this will be numbered in the question paper as Question 4.3. Students will need to answer **one** question from a choice of three.

Higher tier

- There will be an additional option for Question 1 and this will be numbered in the question paper as Question 1.3. Students will need to answer **one** question from a choice of three.
- There will be an additional option for Question 2 and this will be numbered in the question paper as Question 2.3. Students will need to answer **one** question from a choice of three.

Paper 4 (Writing) exam time extended

- Foundation tier: 1 hour 5 minutes
- Higher tier: 1 hour 20 minutes.

Vocabulary

- The regulatory requirement for assessments to use words outside of vocabulary lists has been removed.

Speaking

- Teachers and students should prepare for spoken language in 2022 to be assessed in the normal way, through formal speaking tests.