

Burnaby South Secondary School – French 10H

Program Overview



Bienvenue à French 10 Honours! This course contains a variety of activities to help students develop their skills in all language areas: listening, speaking, reading and writing. At times, we will be going at a relatively quick pace, so be prepared to use your time well, ask questions when you don't understand, work hard and have some fun while we're at it! One of the areas in which students are often most hesitant is with speaking in French. I cannot encourage you enough to be brave and always try! Unless we take risks and practice, it's pretty hard to get better! As humans, we all make mistakes, but that's ok because it provides opportunities to grow and develop our skills.

As part of the French 10 Honours program, we will be reading *Les Trois Mousquetaires* by Alexandre Dumas. This exciting and engaging story will push you to expand your vocabulary, cultural awareness and reading skills.

Some of the grammar concepts we will learn include the passé composé & imparfait, reflexive verbs, the conditionnel, object pronouns and relative pronouns. We will explore topics including the home and activities around the house (like chores), food, grocery shopping, restaurants, getting around town and phrases that will be helpful if you are a tourist in a francophone region.

We will be using the D'Accord 2 textbook and workbook as well as the online component (Supersite).

Here are some tips to help you be successful this year in French class:

1. Ask questions! I am so happy to answer your questions and help you out. We have **flex time** each morning for you to come and get extra help if you need it (and I'm often available after school too). If ever you feel that you don't quite understand, please come ask for help!!
2. Be respectful! This seems so obvious, but it's easy to forget how valuable this is in creating and maintaining positive relationships with others!
3. Come to class on time! Especially with this quarter system, we don't have time to waste!
4. Practice, practice, practice!
 - Complete and hand in your work on time
 - Assignments are always due at the beginning of class, and you must bring any typed assignments already printed (you will not be able to go to the library to print it once class has started). Assignments that are not handed in at the beginning of class will not be accepted; instead the assignment will be excused.
 - For electronic projects, share it with me either through Teams, Google Drive or email me a YouTube link. If you are going to submit it in person, please make sure to bring it in on a flash drive. Also, it is a good idea to have an electronic copy somewhere in the cloud or emailed to yourself as a backup plan, just in case!
 - Speak in French as much as you can! (Yes, I'm saying it again!)
5. If you miss a class, make sure to find out what you missed. You should check my website (sd41blogs.ca/romaina) for homework and dates of upcoming assignments and assessments. We will also be using Microsoft Teams for class work.
6. Electronics such as cell phones are only to be used for educational purposes. If your device is helping you with your learning, great! However, there's an issue if it is distracting you and keeping you from learning.