

FRANÇAIS AP IV: PROGRAMME & DEVOIRS DE VACANCES

Bienvenue en classe d'AP Français IV !

You have chosen to continue your study of French at the AP level. The AP French Language and Culture Exam is designed to test your skills in order to see how well they compare to abilities found in a third-year college course. The exam will test all of the major language skills: listening, reading comprehension, speaking, and writing in addition to the general cultural knowledge of the francophone and French world. I welcome you to this rewarding and challenging course and to this journey exploring six major themes of study.

Themes for AP French Language and Culture

- Beauty and Aesthetics
- Global Challenges
- Science and Technology
- Families and Communities
- Personal and Public Identities
- Contemporary Life

Rationale for Summer Assignments

Students enrolled in AP French are invited to complete summer assignments prior to the start of class in August.

The assignments integrate the use of technology, thus assisting in maintaining the continuum of language acquisition over the summer.

The assignments have been created with three goals in mind:

1. Continuing your exposure to the language through personal experiences and interactions with the language and culture throughout the summer
2. Preparing you for the AP Course by building foundational skills in listening, speaking, reading, and writing
3. Building community as a class: you are encouraged to complete some tasks together, such as watching movies or discussing topics.

General Directions:

The "Summer Work Board" is meant for you to have a choice in the activities you complete. Pick what is interesting to you! The board is divided into 5 sections (PARLER, ÉCOUTER, VOIR & ÉCOUTER, LIRE, LIRE & ÉCRIRE).

Resources:

As a resource, you may use previous years' interactive notebooks, as well as www.wordreference.com as a dictionary. You may also enjoy discussing topics and watching videos or French movies with other AP French students. This being said, while discussing activities and opinions is encouraged, do not forget that the work needs to remain yours, and not be the reflection of a collective effort. I expect that you complete all assignments on your own, without the use of a person (tutor, native speaker) or translator. Your work should represent your interests and what you are capable of doing using all resources you have at hand.

Homework:

- Familiarize yourself with the AP exam:
<https://apstudents.collegeboard.org/courses/ap-french-language-and-culture>
- Ideally, choose 2 activities per week. (8 weeks) (16 activities in total)
- Submit your work as soon as you complete an activity
- Activities marked with a star are recommended, not mandatory; the other assignments are of your choice. Pick assignments that interest you!
- Clearly label the assignments you have completed when submitting (Ex: PARLER #1, #2, #3 or ÉCRIRE #1, #2, #3 etc...). You can submit multiple files in various formats. You may have to "re-submit" to post several documents.
- Ideally, the activities you choose should come from different categories
- Just to clarify, all activities must be completed in French
- When assignments are to be written, they should be handwritten and submitted as a picture on Canvas.
- Google Translate or other translation websites or AI are not allowed.

If you have any questions, let me know!

How to contact me::

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Or via Canvas class

PARLER

1. Find the lyrics video to a song in French. Sing along! Record yourself singing. Use <https://lyricstraining.com/fr/> (on the web and also an app) to prep and learn song vocab. You may also use YouTube for karaoke songs.

2. Post a video in French about your day on Canvas (2-3 minutes). You cannot write a paragraph and read. You have to speak spontaneously without notes



3. Practice reading French out loud. Select a reading of your choice such as news, a book (Kindle on Amazon has free French books (such as [Le Mystère de la Chambre Jaune](#)), a poem, or an article found online. Record the audio of your reading (3-4 minutes).

4. Record yourself saying any 3 [tongue twisters like Bradley Cooper](#) in French, perfectly. You can use the following link or find your own. [7 Best Tongue Twisters to Greatly Improve French Pronunciation | FluentU French Educator Blog](#)

ÉCRIRE

1. Write a journal entry in French about what you have done today or recently. Be sure to narrate with rich details and the past tenses of the passé composé and l'imparfait 250 words

2. Write a news report in French about [medical deserts](#) (areas where there is limited access to healthcare) in France. Make it concise and formal (250 words).


3. Write an email reply using the prompt
 Courriel AP Classroom Summ...
 Follow these guidelines for a formal email reply:
 Stratégies pour le courriel
 250 words

4. What you would want to do if you could go anywhere (*Si je pouvais aller n'importe où, je voudrais aller à..., et je ferais parce que ...*). Include lots of reasons and details why you would want to go there and what you would do. 250 words

ÉCOUTER & VOIR


1. Download the News in Slow French app or listen to at least 2 stories on their website or a website of your choice <https://www.newsinslowfrench.com/> What did you understand? Record your response in French (2-3 minutes).


2. Listen to a few French podcasts (they are very short) and summarize its content in a 2-3 minute recording <https://dailyfrenchpod.com/>


3. Choose one French-speaking singer and listen to 5 of his/her songs. Decide which is your favorite! Why? Record your response & upload Canvas (2-3 minutes). Here is a vidéo with popular songs in 2021:
 Les Meilleures Chansons Fra...

4. Watch this video on the 14th of July on Ilini (www.ilini.com) and complete the online assignments: [Why is 14 July celebrated in France?](#) & compare it to the 4th of July in America.


LIRE

1. ALL ARTICLES AND QUESTIONS MUST BE ANNOTATED!!!
 J'habite Chez Moi

2. ALL ARTICLES AND QUESTIONS MUST BE ANNOTATED!!!
 La Famille Senegalaise se Nu...

3. ALL ARTICLES AND QUESTIONS MUST BE ANNOTATED!!!
 Comment se faire des amis?



4. ALL ARTICLES AND QUESTIONS MUST BE ANNOTATED!!!
 Couples Mixtes

5. On en parle? [L'esthétique](#) Pick 5 of the topics / questions presented and record your personal answers to these questions. You must answer in full sentences and elaborate.


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📄 Parlons des réseaux sociaux Pick 5 of the topics / questions presented and write your personal answers to these questions. You must answer in full sentences and elaborate.



5. Watch a [French movie](#) and complete the following [worksheet](#) pointing out the products, practices and perspectives of the French or francophone culture you identified

5. Find your own article about the theme "L'image de soi" Annotate the article and make 5 assertions/questions about the article

6.  Guided Conversation: Read the introduction and instructions to help guide your answers: [PDE](#) Then listen to the questions asked by the speaker : [Audio selection](#), and record your answers in a spontaneous manner. Record BOTH the audio selection and your answers in one recording! Use www.vocaroo.com or VoiceMemos

6. Create a travel guide about a French speaking country that focuses on special [holidays](#) and [festivals](#). Where would you recommend people to go: explain the holidays or festivals they could experience 250 words

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LIRE & ÉCOUTER

7. Comparaison Culturelle: LUPIN, Watch video on Ilini (www.ilini.com) [Lupin - Trailer](#) Cette série française, "Lupin", sur Netflix est inspirée par les livres d'Arsène Lupin, écrits par Maurice Leblanc. Après avoir regardé la vidéo, passe le quiz et complète les activités sur papier, ET réponds aux questions suivantes à l'oral sur Canvas, ou Vocaroo ou VoiceMemos:
1) Est-ce-que la bande annonce t'a motivé à regarder la série?
2) Peux-tu comparer cette série à une série américaine ou de ta propre culture qui est basée sur un livre?
3) En général, tu préfères lire des livres ou regarder l'adaptation des livres en film?

7. Opinion: La fête de la musique: complete the worksheets on 📄 La fête de la musique and watch the video: [2020: An unusual Fête de la Musique](#) Then, give your opinion: you want to go to La fête de la musique with your host brother or sister and their friends when you visit your French hosting family in June, but your parents are not sure if they want to allow you to go. Use the resources provided to understand and explain to them what this festival is all about and give at least 3 reasons why you should go. Also dismiss one counter argument they could have.

7. 7 jours sur la planète / TV5 Monde
TV5 : [Nouvelles familles](#)
[Nouvelles familles | Apprendre le français avec TV5MONDE](#)
Regardez et faites les exercices. Affichez une capture d'écran et postez une photo sur Canvas

1. Lisez l'article et écoutez la sélection audio et répondez aux questions de compréhension

Section 1 de l'examen AP, Partie B, sélection 9 (compréhension écrite et orale!)

- ❖ Article - [Paper planes](#)
- ❖ Audio - [Paper planes](#)

8. Read the article about LE BAC, annotate, and record your answers ORALLY to the questions: A) If the BAC is still somewhat considered a rite of passage, what rite of passage can it be compared to in the US? & B) Would you rather be a Senior in HS in France taking the BAC or a HS student in the US getting a HS diploma, and why? [Bac 2018 : le baccalauréat, un rite de passage qui nous aide à grandir ?](#)



8. [Les téléphones à l'école: devraient-ils être interdits?](#) Lisez l'article et donnez votre opinion. Exprimez clairement votre opinion! Pourquoi (donnez deux raisons) ? Pourquoi pas (donnez une raison)? Citez l'article dans l'un de vos arguments.

8. Watch 2 videos of your choice on Ilini and complete the online work:

- [French-speaking immigrants to Canada recount culture shock anecdotes](#)
- [Emily in Paris... as seen by a Parisian](#)
- Biocarburants: <https://www.ilini.com/learn-french/du-bi-carburant-pour-les-avions?o=p7bnco-3304>
- [Josephine Baker enters French Pantheon](#)

2. Lisez l'article et écoutez la sélection audio et répondez aux questions de compréhension [Les voitures électriques](#) (Folder)

DANSER

Learn to dance to French Songs with Just Dance: Stromae "Papaoutai" :
▶ Just Dance 2015-Stromae-Papao...
Look up the lyrics, learn the refrain.
Video record your danse routine.
Upload link on Canvas

Learn to dance to French Songs with Just Dance: Stromae "Papaoutai" :
▶ Alors On Danse by Stromae Just D...
Look up the lyrics, learn the refrain.
Video record your danse routine.
Upload link on Canvas

Learn to dance to French Songs with
▶ Black M Sur ma route Just dan...
Look up the lyrics, learn the refrain.
Video record your danse routine.
Upload link on Canvas

CUISINER

Learn to make crêpes:
▶ Crêpe facile et rapide . Make a video of you making the crêpes.

Learn how to make ratatouille:
▶ Recette de la Ratatouille facile - ...
and make a video of you making the ratatouille

Learn how to make quiche:
▶ Recette de Quiche lorraine / Fre...
and make a video of you making the quiche

AU CONTACT DE FRANCOPHONES

Find someone in your community / city who is a native French speaker and **interview them in French**.
Record your conversation with them as you ask them questions about where they are from, their childhood in France, their family, what brought them to the States, how much they travel back to France, the culture shock, adapting to the American culture and way of life, about learning English, etc... Report about your interview by typing up a summary of what you have learned during your conversation, or a transcription of the questions and answers in French.

Read about a famous French person, in French and present a short biography about them in a Adobe Spark Video. Here is a synopsis (in English, désolée) [Famous French people | Biography Online](#)

A PEN PAL: Find a French pen pal online and start corresponding or communicating with them. Share about your life at school, your family, your friends, your pets, etc.
https://www.globalpenfriends.com/country/France_penpals.html is a safe way to find someone.