



GCSE and GCE French, German and Spanish

Welcome back to the new Academic Year 2021/22!

The Modern Foreign Languages Team at WJEC welcome you back to the new academic year.

Thank you all for your hard work and support during 2020/21. Following another challenging year for teachers, learners and others involved in education we hope that you have been able to recharge the batteries over the summer. Let's hope 2021/22 is kinder to everyone working in the world of education!

We at WJEC CBAC recognise that our teachers and learners in Wales will continue to face challenges during the new academic year, so please remember we are here to provide continued support.

Please take a few moments to browse the newsletter for useful information and reminders.

Centre conducted assessments for AS Unit 1 summer 2022 series

As advised in Version 3 of the AS/A Level French/German/Spanish specification (December 2019), from the summer 2022 series, Unit 1 assessments will be conducted by centres and digital recordings uploaded to WJEC systems.

In order to support teachers in Wales there will be free training available in December (see CPD section below) as well as digital training resources provided.

Coming soon

Video promoting the study of MFL at GCSE and AS/A Level which will be available on the subject pages of the website.

Welcome to a new member of the MFL Team

We are delighted to welcome Hilary Potter to the MFL team. Hilary will be covering for Naomi Taylor (Subject Officer for German) while she is on maternity leave.

Resources for Teaching and Learning

These resources are available in the **Resources** tabs on the WJEC website subject pages for GCSE [French](#) / [German](#) / [Spanish](#) and GCE [French](#) / [German](#) / [Spanish](#).

Exam Walk Throughs (EWTs)

These are a free resource for both GCSE [French](#) / [German](#) / [Spanish](#) and GCE [French](#) / [German](#) / [Spanish](#). These comprise visual and audio PowerPoint guides to the exams, put together by our experts and designed with the learner in mind for independent use or as part of remote or blended learning.

Teaching and Learning Guides

Free resources produced by our experts as a suggested approach for using our online resources for teachers of French, German or Spanish. The aim is to provide flexible comprehensive support for teachers.

The 'Exemplar' Tab

Exemplar candidate work is available on the subject pages of the website along with the marks and examiner feedback, leading you through a review of the exam questions. They include guidance on how examiner marks and comments can be removed so that the materials can also be used as a teaching resource.

Guides to amendments to assessment in 2022

The updated Guides to Adaptations for Summer 2022 in Wales can be viewed [here](#).

Access to past papers, mp3 files and mark schemes

Here is a reminder how to access the materials for Wales MFL GCSE/GCE on the Secure Website:

Log on to the WJEC Secure Website. At the top of the screen click on the 'Resources' drop-down menu and select 'Past Papers and Marking Schemes'. This will bring up an options box, please choose the following:

- Subject French / German / Spanish
- Brand WJEC
- Level GCSE
- Type of document All
- Year All
- Language English / Welsh

<https://www.wjecservices.co.uk/resourcessearch.asp>

Online Exam Review (OER)

[Online Exam Review](#) provides a number of marked candidate responses to key questions in an interactive format. Here you will find a collection of interactive units that bring together a number of elements including general data, exam questions, their marking schemes and examiner comments, which will lead you through a review of exam questions.

If you are accessing the documents using Chrome as a browser, you will need to disable the Chrome PDF Viewer to open them.

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Pre-recorded Webinars (a free resource)

The pre-recorded webinars are still available as training material for teachers at GCSE and at A level. Mark Like an Examiner for GCSE Unit 4 and Mark Like an Examiner for GCE Units 2 and 5 provide useful information and practice materials for teachers wishing to improve their marking skills for these papers. They are available on the French, German and Spanish subject pages of the website. They have been written by experts with an in-depth practical knowledge of these units.

Live CPD Webinars for Autumn 2021

Due to the current ongoing situation, face-to-face training is not possible. However, we are providing [training](#) opportunities during the autumn term for teachers.

There is a **free** training Webinar to help prepare teachers in Wales for centre conducted AS Unit 1 from the 2022 series.

In case you missed them the first time there is another opportunity to sign up for two live webinars we ran in 2020/21; the first is the live webinar ***Listening and Reading Resilience*** (chargeable) for GCSE MFL teachers which explores what it is, how it can help learners and how to develop it in the MFL classroom and is full of practical advice. The second is for A Level MFL and is designed for ***classroom practitioners new to teaching film and literary works*** (chargeable). This is a practical guide, full of advice and suggested approaches for the *novice* in their first year of teaching Unit 2 (film) and Unit 5 (literary work) at AS/A level and has been written by an experienced practitioner in these units. These webinars can be attended by the individual or accessed by a whole department. Please note that these reruns contain no new material.

To book your place on the live webinar courses or learn more, visit the [Professional Learning](#) pages on the WJEC website.

Next newsletter

The next issue will be sent out in January. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please get in touch.

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