

## NEWSLETTER - SEPTEMBER 2023

### GCSE AND GCE FRENCH, GERMAN AND SPANISH

Welcome back to the new Academic Year 2023/24.

The Modern Foreign Languages Team at WJEC welcomes everyone to the new academic year. Hopefully there has been the opportunity to recharge the batteries ready for the new term and we thank everyone in education for their hard work and support during the last academic year.

We would also like to extend a special thank you to all those teachers involved in conducting the new teacher conducted speaking assessment at A level. Please see the Examiners' Reports for [French](#), [German](#) and [Spanish](#) for feedback and advice.

We at WJEC CBAC would like to remind everyone that we are here to provide support to teachers and learners in Wales. Please take a few moments to browse the newsletter for useful information and reminders.

#### KEY DATES

The Assessment Window for conducting GCSE and GCE Speaking Examinations will run from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April until Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2024. The [exam timetables](#) for the 2024 summer series are also now available on the WJEC website.

#### ANALYSING CANDIDATES' RESULTS

##### Assessment Feedback Package

Our new Assessment Feedback Package for 2023-24 is an opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of how assessments are marked or moderated.

This integrated suite of resources and training brings together free access to Principal Examiner reports, marked scripts, and online assessment feedback sessions, as well as a range of optional paid face-to-face training events.

Learn more about how you and your learners can benefit from our [Assessment Feedback Package](#).

#### EXAM RESULTS ANALYSIS

In addition to this, you can still access the Exam Results Analysis to help you understand your students' results and develop their exam skills. Exam Results Analysis on the [secure website](#) allows you to compare your students' performance on each question with that of the candidature overall, letting you see where they have done well and where there might be room for improvement. To do this, under the 'Results' tab, click on 'View/Print Item Level Data' or 'View/Print Centre Performance' for comparable data.

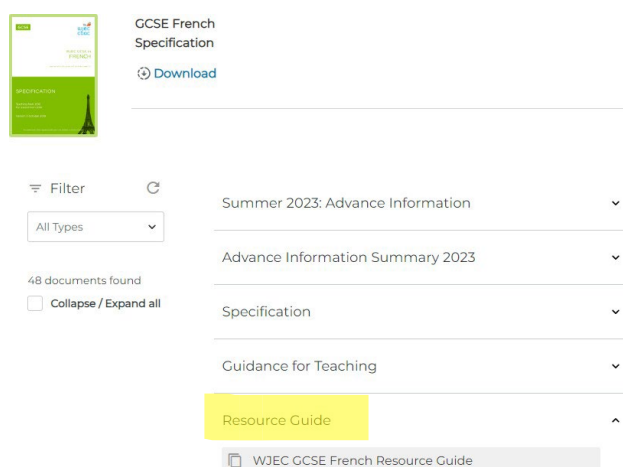
## FREE ACCESS TO CANDIDATE SCRIPTS

This year, Schools and colleges who deliver our qualifications will now be able to access candidates' marked scripts from Results Day via our [Secure Website](#). These will be available for all external assessments for Summer 2023, including all GCSEs, AS, A level and Vocational Qualifications. Each script will be available as a PDF and will include the marks and any comments made by our trained examiners to help you review the performance of your learners. These can also be useful classroom aids, to show current learners strengths and common pitfalls that they should consider in future assessments.

## RESOURCES FOR TEACHING AND LEARNING

### Resource Guides

Please take a look at our new Resource Guides that are now available on each of the subject pages for French, German and Spanish;



The screenshot shows the 'GCSE French Specification' page. It features a 'Download' button and a list of resources. A filter is set to 'All Types' and 48 documents are found. The 'Resource Guide' is highlighted in yellow in the list.

Resource Type	Resource Name
Summer 2023: Advance Information	Summer 2023: Advance Information
Advance Information Summary 2023	Advance Information Summary 2023
Specification	Specification
Guidance for Teaching	Guidance for Teaching
Resource Guide	WJEC GCSE French Resource Guide

These guides take you through how to access key resources on the different WJEC websites and systems.

## DIGITAL RESOURCES WEBSITE

The Digital Resources Website brings together a wide variety of useful teaching and learning resources. Click on the **Resources** link available on each of the WJEC website subject pages for GCSE [French](#) / [German](#) / [Spanish](#) and GCE [French](#) / [German](#) / [Spanish](#) to access the materials.

## EXAM WALK THROUGHS

Exam Walk Throughs (EWTs) are a free resource for both GCSE [French](#) / [German](#) / [Spanish](#) and GCE [French](#) / [German](#) / [Spanish](#). These comprise of 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

Teaching and Learning Guides are free resources that are 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.

## CANDIDATE EXEMPLAR

Exemplar candidate work is available on the subject pages of the website in the 'Exemplar' tab 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.

## ACCESS TO ALL 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 take you to a filter page. Please select the following:

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

Access to the secure website is given by Exams Officers as they are the primary account holders for centres. Papers and mark schemes are stored on the secure website for 9 months after the end of an exam series before being released onto the public website.

## CPD PROGRAMME 2023/24

Our expert-led professional learning programme for 2023/24 is now live. Our training opportunities will provide all the support you need to enhance your teaching and successfully deliver our qualifications.

With both paid face-to-face and free online courses available, find a convenient course for you here: [Professional Learning](#).

Book your place NOW to avoid disappointment.

## 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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