



# HURTWOOD HOUSE

## FRENCH DEPARTMENT

**On your mark, get set and go to the discovery of a French A Level student**

Here is the Menu of the 2-year course

### Thème 1

Les changements dans la société française

### Thème 2

La culture politique et artistique en francophonie

### Thème 3

L'immigration et la société multiculturelle française

### Thème 4

L'occupation et la Résistance

This programme aims to develop your interest in, and knowledge of France and the French speaking world past and present.

Here are a few sites to develop your cultural awareness

France culture: <https://www.france.fr/fr/theme-culture>

1 jour 1 actu : <https://www.1jour1actu.com/>

You will find a wide range of infographics based on the four themes studied at A Level, on '1 jour 1 actu'.

A list of films based on Theme 1 : [Click here](#)

A list of films based on Theme 2: [Click here](#)

Knowing a wide range of vocabulary and grammatical structures are very important when doing a language at A Level. Learning those can be fun! Believe me, the following sites will make you see how fun it can be:

### **Tv5 Monde:**



Very good site to expand your knowledge on both the language itself and on topics we will be covering in the next 2 years. Select the topic you want to study and the level you wish to study it.

MAIN PAGE : <https://apprendre.tv5monde.com/fr/collection-all>

Intermediate level:

<https://apprendre.tv5monde.com/fr/exercices/b1-intermediaire>

Advanced level:

<https://apprendre.tv5monde.com/fr/exercices/b2-avance>

TV5 Monde Culture:

<https://culture.tv5monde.com/rubrique/livres>

### **Rfi Savoirs:**



<https://savoirs.rfi.fr/en/recherche/rubrique/apprendre>

You have several levels to choose in between and see how you progress.

Why not subscribe to the newsletter. Every two weeks you will receive straight into your Inbox different activities based on the news.

## READING LIST

We will be studying **No et Moi** by **Delphine de Vigan** in the course, but if you love literature, here are a few more books you might want to read

Title of books	Authors
<b>No et Moi *</b>	<b>Delphine de Vigan, 2007 (novel)</b> (Livre de poche - Les classiques pédagogo ISBN : 978-2-253-18328-0)
<b>Le Gone du Chaâba</b>	<b>Azouz Begag, 2005 (novel)</b>
<b>La Place</b>	<b>Annie Ernaux, 1983 (novel)</b>
<b>Une si longue lettre</b>	<b>Mariama Bâ, 1981 (novel)</b>
<b>Un Sac de Billes</b>	<b>Joseph Joffo, 1973 (novel)</b>
<b>Les Petits Enfants du siècle</b>	<b>Christiane Rochefort, 1961 (novel)</b>
<b>Le Château de ma Mère</b>	<b>Marcel Pagnol, 1957 (novel)</b>
<b>Les Mains sales</b>	<b>Jean-Paul Sartre, 1948 (novel)</b>
<b>L'Etranger</b>	<b>Albert Camus, 1942 (novel)</b>
<b>Thérèse Desqueyroux</b>	<b>François Mauriac, 1927 (novel)</b>
<b>Le Blé en Herbe</b>	<b>Colette, 1923 (novel)</b>
<b>Boule de Suif et autres contes de guerre</b>	<b>Guy de Maupassant, 1880 (short stories)</b>
<b>Le Tartuffe</b>	<b>Molière, 1669 (Play)</b>

## FILMS TO WATCH

We will be studying the film '**Les Choristes**' by **Christophe Barratier** during the course. However, watching films in the original language with French subtitles is a very good way to learn.

Title of films	Directors
Deux Jours, une Nuit	Jean-Pierre Dardenne, Luc Dardenne (2014)
Intouchables	Oliver Nakache, Eric Toledano (2011)
Entre les Murs	Laurent Cantet (2008)
La Vie en Rose	Olivier Dahan (2007)
<b>Les Choristes *</b>	<b>Christophe Barratier (2004)</b>
Un Long Dimanche de Fiançailles	Jean-Pierre Jeunet (2004)
La Haine	Mathieu Kassovitz (1995)
Chocolat	Claire Denis (1988)
Au Revoir les Enfants	Louis Malle (1987)
Le Dernier Métro	François Truffaut (1980)
Cléo de 5 à 7	Agnès Varda (1962)
Les 400 Coups	François Truffaut (1959)

## **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

French books to download for free (and legally!). You will find all types of genres: novels, plays, science books, autobiographies, short stories, poetry, dictionaries, grammar books...

<https://frenchpdf.com/>

Grammar

<https://www.laits.utexas.edu/tex/gr/index.html#v>

News in French speaking countries:

<https://www.france24.com/fr/>

<https://www.lepoint.fr/>

Twitter

Magazine Phosphore

<https://twitter.com/magphosphore?lang=fr>

Infos françaises

<https://twitter.com/infosfrancaises?lang=fr>

la Polynésie française

<https://twitter.com/hashtag/polynesie?lang=fr>

SONGS - LYRICS TRAINING - Learn French through music.

You will love this site!

<https://lyricstraining.com/fr>

Since LANGUAGE is COMMUNICATION ...Don't hesitate to contact me to have resources tailored to your needs. What would you like to improve on? What are you interested in? The more French you surround yourself, the better! If you love sport and would like to read about sports in French, let me know.

I look forward to see you 'en chair et en os' in September!

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