

SYLLABUS

FRANCAIS 100
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Foreign Languages Department
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Materials:

- Text : HORIZONS. Fifth Edition, 2012. Manley, Smith, McMinn and Prevost.
- Cahier d'activités écrites et orales.
- Audio CDs

Course Description and Objectives:

Our goal will be to cover the preliminary chapter and chapters 1, 2 and 3 in the course of this semester. Our study of each unit will end with a formal test designed to allow students to measure their mastery of the material covered. There will be a total of three tests, in addition to the final examination.

By the end of the semester students should be able to use full simple sentences and understand a short conversation. They should also understand the very fundamentals of French grammar and, ideally, develop a taste for it. Finally, they should be familiar with some basic culture aspects of contemporary France.

Course Requirements and policies:

It is imperative that students become thoroughly familiar with the material to be covered during each class session, and to complete all required aural and written drills before coming to each class week.

Unless you have a very serious excuse there will be no make -ups for quizzes and tests missed. If you cannot come to class you must let me know **in advance** (if possible) and I will tell you whether your reason is legitimate or not. If you do wish to be considered for a make- up, it is **your** responsibility to discuss this with me **before the next class meeting**.

When preparing for quizzes, exams, or “Journal” assignments you are prohibited from using related work done by other students. Use of electronic translation services for anything other than single word inquiries is also prohibited. Both of these actions may be plagiarism. If you are ever unsure about how you are using an electronic source, you should discuss the situation with the professor. You may consult the *Student Handbook*, pages 51-56, for a full description of Moravian’s *Academic Honesty Policy*.

Please note:

Students with disabilities who believe that they may need accommodations in this class are encouraged to contact Elaine Mara, assistant director of learning services for academic and disability support at 1307 Main Street, or by calling 610-861-1510. Accommodations cannot be provided until authorization is received from the Academic Support Center.

Attendance:

All absences count as an absence, even those for which a doctor’s note is available. Therefore, it is best to 1) not schedule doctor’s visits during class, and 2) miss class only when it is absolutely necessary to do so. The student’s final attendance grade (5%) is computed as follows: **0 absence = A+ / 1 = A / 2 = A- / 3 = B / 4 = C+ / 5 = C- / 6 = D- / 7 = -2.5 / 8 = -3 / 9 = -3.5 / 10 = -4 / 11 = -4.5 / 12 or more = -5 (To be clear, every time you miss class counts as an absence, even if you have a doctor’s note.)**

E-mail or phone number of two classmates to contact for work in case of absence:

Name: _____ Contact info: _____
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Repeated late arrivals will be reflected in a lowered class participation grade. Late arrivals of more than 15 minutes will be counted as an absence.

Preparation and participation:

Active participation in class is crucial for increasing conversational skills in French. Students are expected to arrive prepared to participate in all class activities by having studied the topics to be covered and having completed all assigned homework **on time**. Simply being present and taking notes does not constitute active participation.

No attendance, no participation at all : When a student is not in class, he/she gets a zero for that day regardless of the reason for that absence

In order to have a **good learning environment** in class I ask that the following conditions be respected:

Participate fully in class work. Unsatisfactory classroom behavior, such as little or no verbal response, uncooperative interaction with others for group work and/or a disrespectful attitude will be reflected in a lowered class participation grade.

- ♦ **Turn off cell phones** and leave them **out of sight during class.**
- ♦ **Plan to stay in class for the full 70 minutes** without taking a break to use the bathroom, check messages, etc.

Note: The Department sponsors a **tutoring program** which provides help to you free of charge. You will hear more about this during the early weeks of the semester.

Grades breakdown

Attendance and participation :	10%
Homework	: 15%
Quizzes	: 10%
Tests (3):	: 45%
Final Exam:	: 20%
Total	: 100%

Evaluation: Students' final marks for the course will be based on the quizzes, the three tests, the final exam, regular attendance, active class participation, and the careful and timely preparation of homework assignments.

COURSE SCHEDULE

August

Monday 26 : Introduction/ preliminary chapter
Wednesday 28 : Preliminary chapter
Friday 30 : Preliminary chapter

September

Monday 02 : **LABOR DAY**
Wednesday 04 : Preliminary chapter
Friday 06 : Preliminary chapter

Monday 09 : Preliminary chapter
Wednesday 11 : Preliminary chapter
Friday 13 : Preliminary chapter

Monday 16 : Preliminary chapter
Wednesday 18 :
Friday 20 : Test 1

Monday 23 : Chapter 1
Wednesday 25 : Chapter 1
Friday 27 : Chapter 1

Monday 30 : Chapter 1

October

Wednesday 02 : Chapter 1
Friday 04 : Chapter 1

Monday 07 :
Wednesday 09 : Chapter 1
Friday 11 : Test 2

Monday 14 : **Fall Recess**
Wednesday 16 : Chapter 2
Friday 18 : Chapter 2

Monday 21 : Chapter 2
Wednesday 23 : Chapter 2
Friday 25 : Chapter 2

Monday 28 : Chapter 2
Wednesday 30 : Chapter 2

November

Friday 01 : Chapter 2

Monday 04 : Chapter 2
Wednesday 06 : **Test 3**
Friday 08 : Chapter 3

Monday 11 : Chapter 3
Wednesday 13 : Chapter 3
Friday 15 : Chapter 3

Monday 18 : Chapter 3
Wednesday 20 : Chapter 3
Friday 22 : Chapter 3

Monday 25 : Thanksgiving Recess
Wednesday 26 : **Thanksgiving**
Friday 29 : **Thanks giving**

December

Monday 02 : Chapter 3
Wednesday 04 : Chapter 3
Friday 06 : Oral presentation

Tuesday 10 : Final Exam 1:30 p.m