

How should we approach learning at home for French, German or Spanish?

How long should I spend on French, German or Spanish each week?

In order to reduce your workload, **you should try to do 3 hours** of studying French, German or Spanish across the fortnight instead of the normal time tabled 5 hours. We recommend scheduling French, German or Spanish on 2 or 3 days each week to make sure you have enough time to focus on this core subject.

What should I be doing each day then?

At school, lessons last for 60 minutes but it is hard to study like this independently. Instead, aim for 2 x 20/30 minute sessions on the days you're due to study French, German or Spanish; you could do one session before and one after lunch, perhaps.

Further to the work set by your teacher, you should dedicate around 10 minutes a day revising vocabulary (using Memrise or Quizlet).

Where should I be putting my work?

Write in your exercise books as much as possible (if you have it). Give your work a clear and neat date and title to help stay organised. Y10 should have their folders with the latest workbooks.

What about feedback from my teacher?

We have not forgotten you! As you can imagine, this is an unprecedented situation and we are still trying to figure out the best way to keep in touch with you, starting with Y10 and Y12. The use of Teams and OneNote with Y12 is already in place but Y10 is work in progress. Y10 pupils can access <https://www.kerboodle.com/users/login> using their normal school username.

Extended Learning

Further your language learning with some of the following resources:

1. www.duolingo.com – a fantastic app and website for language learning that develops all four key language skills
2. www.memrise.com – another app and website with a stronger focus on vocabulary learning
3. www.quizlet.com – Online flashcards to help you expand your range of vocabulary
4. <https://www.senecalearning.com/> - a learning platform for all subjects, with an excellent section for KS3 languages
5. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/z2nygk7> - BBC Bitesize features lots of videos and information to support and further your knowledge
6. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/secondary/zkqp47h> - BBC teach features classroom resources for teaching KS3 and KS4 topics such as grammar
7. <http://www.culturetheque.com/exploitation/GBR/accueil-portal.aspx> - Explore a range of authentic online materials including film, books, magazines and literature
8. <https://apprendre.tv5monde.com/en> - Learn French through authentic resources and exercises