

## **Course: French II**

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**Academic Year: 2009-2010**

### **Course Philosophy:**

The continued acquisition of French as a spoken and written language is the goal of this course. This year, you will further your knowledge of French through reading, speaking, listening and writing. You will perfect the material that you learned in French I and become more fluent in the language. Although you will still concentrate on grammar in this course, you will be acquiring the ability to communicate your ideas and needs in French. Merely memorizing the concepts is not the objective of this course. In order to succeed, you will need to use what you know.

### **Course Requirements:**

Text: *Discovering French Blanc* (D.C. Heath)

One section of a 3-ring notebook for notes, homework, and handouts

Consistent Work

Enthusiasm to use the language

**Grading Procedure:** Your trimester grade will be determined by the following assessments, which are weighted as follows:

Homework and Class Participation: 20%

Speaking: 10%

Quizzes and Tests: 45%

### **Homework and Classroom Policies:**

1. You will have homework every day. This includes pronunciation drills and vocabulary acquisition. Homework is required. It is not optional. Hand it in on time the day it is due; otherwise, it is late and will lower your participation grade
2. Bring your book, notebook, pen or pencil, and your homework to class each day. Bring your enthusiasm for learning as well.
3. You must speak as much French in class as you are able. The more you use French,

the better you become! Using the target language will increase your ability to think in French as well.

4. No food, chewing gum or drinks, except water, are allowed in class.
5. If you are absent from class, it is your responsibility to get the assignment, which is written on the board each day.
6. Cheating or plagiarism will result in a zero.
7. Come to Academic Help. I am always here to help.
8. Be respectful of others. We all learn in different stages. You may learn something essential by listening to the other students.
9. Have fun! Continuing to learn a language is a challenge that is worth the effort.

**First Trimester:**

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| August:    | Summer Reading<br>General Review  |
| September: | Verbs, Sentence Structure, Basic Vocabulary<br>Conversation<br>People and Professions<br>Family and Friends<br>Conversation                   |
| October:   | Verb: Etre and its Usage<br>Verb: Avoir and its Usage<br>Conversation<br>Verb: Faire and its Usage<br>Verbs: Aller and Venir and Their Usages |
| November:  | Reading<br>Weekend Activities   |

**Second Trimester:**

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| November: | Conversation |
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December: Past Tense – Regular Verbs  
Past Tense Expressions  
Verbs: Prendre and Voir  
Irregular Past Tense with Etre  
Conversation and Writing Exercises

January: Conversation  
Reading  
Food and Drinks

February: Stores, Shops, and Supermarket  
Conversation and Writing  
Verbs: Vouloir, Pouvoir, and Dire  
The Partitive  
Verbs: Lire, Ecrire, and Dire  
Verbs: Acheter, Jeter, Esperer

**Third Trimester:**

February: Conversation  
Expressions of Quantity  
Reading

March: Movie Vocabulary  
Conversation  
Sports  
Reading

April: Negative Expressions  
Replacement Pronouns  
Verbs: Savoir and Connaitre  
Reflexive Verbs and their Usage

May: Imperfect Tense  
Reading  
Conversation  
General Review for Final Exam

## **Course Outline: French II**

### **I. Grammar**

#### **A. Review of:**

1. Nouns and Adjectives
2. Present Tense – regular and irregular
3. Interrogatives
4. Negation
5. Vocabulary

#### **B. Verbs**

1. Reflexive Verbs
2. Stem Changing Verbs
3. Irregular Verbs
4. Past Tense – regular and irregular
5. Imperfect Tense – regular and irregular

#### **C. Vocabulary**

1. Professions
2. Family and Friends
3. Weekend Activities
4. Food and Drinks
5. Stores
6. Movie Vocabulary
7. Past tense Vocabulary

#### **D. Replacement Pronouns**

#### **E. Adjectives**

1. Demonstrative
2. Irregular
3. Interrogative

### **II. Selected Readings**

#### **A. Civilization**

#### **B. Cultural**

### **III. Writing**

#### **A. Descriptions**

#### **B. Activities**

#### **C. Fairy Tale**

### **IV. Speaking**

#### **A. Conversation in class**

#### **B. Answering questions in complete sentences in French**

### **V. Listening**

#### **A. Video Program**

#### **B. Computer Program**

#### **C. Videos and DVDs**