

Français I avec Mme Bullock!

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Course Overview

This semester we will study both the French language and the cultures of French-speaking countries around the world. We will develop basic speaking, listening, reading and writing skills in French. You should be prepared to hear and speak French *every day*. You will also be asked to move around and interact with other students on a regular basis, so a positive attitude is required.

Classroom Expectations and Rules

We will be spending a lot of time interacting with each other in our class. Therefore, it is important to create an environment where everyone can learn. All students are required to follow the school code of conduct (see your student agenda). In addition, you will be expected to follow our class rules. By observing these rules, our time together should be pleasant for everyone.

1. **Respect yourself, your peers and your teachers**
2. **Be polite at all times**
3. **Arrive on time and be prepared and ready to learn when the bell rings!**

Please go to the restroom and/or your locker before class as passes will only be issued in case of emergency!

***I **DO** follow school rules; therefore, there will be consequences for lateness to class. Also, I will ask you to remove your hat, sunglasses, ear buds etc. Please note this now.

Attendance

The key to successfully learning a new language is practice! Therefore, you are expected to attend class **regularly** and **on time**. We will be learning something new each and every day so missing time will require you to work hard to catch up. *Understand that you are responsible for all of the material we learn in class even if you are absent!*

How am I graded?

A point system will be used to calculate your grade. The number of points for projects, presentations and tests are greater than the number of points for quizzes, class work, and homework, but **every point is important**. Therefore, **you should always do your homework and review in preparation for the next class**. Quizzes are not always announced! Tests will be announced in advance so that you have enough time to review.

The primary categories for grading include homework/outside reading, weekly participation, class work, quizzes, presentations (oral and/or written), and tests but may include other miscellaneous grades.

Homework

Expect it every night- even on weekends! Homework is an important way to practice and review class material. Keeping up with your assignments will not only help your “homework grade,” but it will also give you the practice you need to succeed in learning another language. All assignments will be due at the **beginning** of class on the due date. Daily homework assignments will not be accepted late as we may review them together in class. Homework may or may not be graded, but should always be completed. You can always check our assignments which will be posted on our website!

****The pace in this course will be rigorous and students need to keep up with all assignments to succeed. It is recommended that you spend **at least 15 minutes** a day reviewing course material in addition to the time spent completing homework assignments.****

Make-up work

It is **your** responsibility to make up missed work after an absence. Remember that if you make no effort to make up work/assessments, you will earn a 0 for that grade. If you must miss class, any homework assigned **prior** to your absence is due at the **beginning** of the class period when you return.

If you are absent, please check our make-up work bulletin board. I will write down the material we learned and any homework that was assigned. It is **your** responsibility to turn in the missed assignments. Make sure to copy notes that you missed from a classmate since you are still responsible for learning any material that we learned during your absence!

Since we will be learning new material every day, any missed tests or quizzes must be made up **before or after school** on a day that is convenient for both of us. If you are absent on the day of a presentation, you will be expected to present upon your return. Please be advised that until you make up work/assessments, a zero is recorded in Power School.

Extra help

I will be happy to arrange time before or after school to give additional help to those who would like it. Please do not wait until you are completely frustrated before asking for help! Each week I will post the days I am available to stay. You are welcome to drop in after school, but I may be working with someone else. Therefore, it is best to see me in advance to schedule a time to meet.

Notebook

You are required to keep a notebook for French I. Why? Your notebook will help you stay organized which will in turn help you succeed. **In addition, your notebook may be checked for a grade.** This makes it important to get all of the notes and handouts if you are absent. Make sure to keep all of the handouts that you receive in your notebook! The required format for your binder can be found on your supply list or on our website.

Cell Phone/Laptop Policy

Students should bring their charged laptops to school every day and have access to it when required. At times we will use cell phones in class, but be aware that any cell phone used during class time **without** teacher permission may be taken away from you for either the rest of the class period or the rest of the day. Please refer to the school policy for specific consequences. It is easy: put your cell phone in its designated place or leave it in your locker, relax and learn!

Use of Translation Programs

I expect the work that you turn in to be your own. Wordreference.com is a great resource if you need to look up one or two words. If you use a program to translate an entire sentence, it can no longer be considered your own work. If it is clear that you have used a translator program like **google translate**, you will receive a zero for the assignment.

Course unit topics

- Unit 1: Getting acquainted ● Unit 2: At the café (Everyday life in France) ● Unit 3: Daily activities ● Unit 4: People and possessions ● Unit 5: In town

Français I Syllabus Receipt
Madame Bullock
Fall Semester 2018

After reading the syllabus, please sign, detach and return this page by:
Friday, September 7, 2018

Please share this **entire** syllabus with your parent/guardian so that s/he understands what you will need to do to succeed in this class.

STUDENT:

Please sign below indicating that you have read the syllabus and understand the requirements for French I.

Name (Please Print)

Student signature

PARENT / GUARDIAN:

French I is an academically rigorous course which will require a great deal of effort. I believe that it is important that we work together to help your child succeed. Therefore, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns this semester. **The best way to reach me is by e-mail** at EKbullock@mail.worcester.k12.md.us. I am also free at the end of the school day between 2:45 and 3:15 and can be reached by calling the school at (410) 632-2880. If I am not available, please leave a message and I will return your call. In addition, information about our class can be found on our class website at <http://bullockfrench.weebly.com>.

Please sign below indicating that you have read the information outlined in the syllabus and understand the expectations set forth for your child's success.

Name (Please print)

Signature

- Please check if you give permission for your child to use educational websites/apps which require students to create a log-in (examples: Remind, Recap, Quizlet).

- Please check if you do **NOT** give permission for your child to use educational websites/app which require students to create a log-in.

Telephone number

E-mail address

Please feel free to share any other important information about your child on the back of this paper. →