

# FACTFILE: GCSE FRENCH



## Speaking 12

### CONTEXT 3: SCHOOL LIFE, STUDIES AND THE WORLD OF WORK



## Future plans and careers



- make creative use of the language, as appropriate, to express and justify their own thoughts and points of view;
- use accurate pronunciation and intonation that would be understood by a native speaker.

### Skills

- Can you talk about what you are going to study in school next year?
- Can you talk about your ideal job?
- Can you express opinions about what you wish to do after school?
- Can you use a variety of vocabulary about places of work and personal qualities to expand your answers?

### Introduction

Here are some key points to help you study this topic.

### Learning Outcomes

You should be able to:

- communicate and interact effectively in speech for a variety of purposes;
- take part in short conversations, asking and answering questions, exchanging opinions and producing extended sequences of speech;
- speak spontaneously, responding to questions, points of view or situations and sustaining communication, as appropriate;
- express information and narrate events coherently and confidently, using and adapting language for new purposes;
- make appropriate and accurate use of a variety of vocabulary and grammatical structures;

### Preparation

Preparing for Speaking about 'My Career and Future Plans' can be made very easy by following a few simple steps:

- Compile a list of useful vocabulary that is not common in other subject areas and make sure you can pronounce them.
- Can you explain and justify your subject choices in a variety of tenses?
- Are you able to pronounce the endings of job words depending on their genders? Practice with a partner.
- Think about vocabulary you could recycle: for example make a list of personal qualities and relate them to certain jobs.

## Practice

Can you communicate simple information clearly and concisely using a full sentence? Try this out.

### Que font tes parents dans la vie?

Say your father is a doctor and your mum is a teacher.

### Qu'est-ce que tu vas faire l'année prochaine?

Say you are going to do your A' levels.

### Quel métier aimerais-tu faire?

Say you would like to be a bank employee.

### Quelles sont les qualités nécessaires pour ce métier?

Say one must be trustworthy and good at Maths.

Record yourself saying the answers above and ask your French Assistant/Teacher to give you feedback on your pronunciation, intonation and accent.

## Revision

Look at the sample answers to the questions below.

### Où voudrais-tu travailler?

Dans le futur, je voudrais travailler dans un hôpital ou dans une clinique car je rêve d'être infirmière. Je pense que c'est un métier formidable parce qu'on a l'occasion de travailler avec les gens et en plus, on est parfois responsable pour sauver les vies. Pour moi, c'est le métier idéal parce que j'aime aider les gens.

### Voudrais-tu rester en Irlande du Nord ou quitter la région?

Moi, j'ai un peu la bougeotte et je ne voudrais pas y rester dans le futur car il n'a pas beaucoup d'opportunités. Je voudrais aller au Canada et travailler en Québec. Je pense qu'il serait l'endroit idéal pour moi car je voudrais être complètement bilingue et là-bas on parle français et l'anglais à la fois. Je voudrais être chef d'entreprise parce que le commerce m'intéresse.

## Helpful Hints

For question 1:

- Can you spot a variation of vocabulary being used in line one?
- Can you see justification in line two?
- Can you see personal engagement and opinions in lines three and four?

For question 2:

- Can you see some idiomatic language in line one and line three?
- Can you spot two tenses being used?
- Can you see personal reasons being explained?

As you prepare your own oral answers, use the above 'tick lists' to help you consider what makes a good answer.

