

Year 8 French Learning Objectives

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Introduction

In year 8 students discover the past and future tenses while consolidating the present tense and the immediate future learnt in year 7. They are gently introduced to more advanced work through the use of story lines, videos, dialogues and audio materials. Below is a detailed outline of what students will learn in each module.

Module 1

In module 1, students will learn:

1. how to talk and write about the four seasons of the year
2. to use more words and expressions related to free-time and activities
3. to conjugate irregular verbs in the present tense such as the verb 'lire' (to read), 'prendre' (to take, to have a meal), 'boire' (to drink) or 'partir'.
4. when and how to use 'ce, cet, cette, ces,' (this, that, these, those') before nouns

Module 2

In module 2, students will learn:

1. the range of expressions using 'avoir' in the positive (J'ai faim- I am hungry) and negative forms (Je n'ai pas faim- I am not hungry).
2. more expressions related to free-time activities and travel.
3. how to speak and write in the past tense using le passé composé (the perfect tense) with regular and irregular verbs .

Module 3

In module 3, students will learn:

1. how to talk and write about visiting cafés and restaurant
2. more about the perfect tense and the negatives to say what did not happen
3. more irregular verbs in the present and past tenses: i.e. 'ouvrir' (to open), 'suivre' (to follow)
4. the verb 'savoir' (to know[a fact]) and 'connaître'(to know [a person]) in the present tense
5. the verbs conjugated with être in the passé composé
6. about the agreement of past participle of être verbs with the subject. i.e. **Nous sommes allés** (we went)

Module 4

In module 4, students will learn:

1. learn More about the language of restaurants and cafes
2. revise and practise lots of the French you have learnt so far
3. about the reflexive verbs (les verbes pronominaux) in the perfect tense (passé composé) in the positive (Je me suis lavé- I washed myself) and negative forms (Je ne me suis pas lavé- I did not wash myself)
4. how 'which' before a noun can be translated by 'quelle, quel, quelles' or 'quels' and when to use either of them.
5. how direct objects pronouns (i.e. I see **them**- Je **les** vois) are translated in French

Module 5

In module 5, students will:

1. how to speak and write about feeling ill, accidents, injuries and mishaps
2. how to speak and write about going to the doctor's
3. the parts of the body
4. the idiom 'avoir mal....' (to have pain in...)
5. about going to the doctor in France
6. how to tell people what to do and the use of the imperative in the positive and negative forms
7. more expressions to express the negative form. i.e. 'ne...rien', 'ne...jamais', 'ne....personne'...etc
8. more irregular verbs: the verbs venir (to come) and tenir (to hold)

Module 6

In module 6, students will learn:

1. be introduced to the imperfect tense and how to form it
2. learn about descriptions in the past using the imperfect tense
3. learn how to use the passé composé (perfect tense) and the imperfect tense (imparfait) in a description
4. learn how to use the imperfect in the expression 'used to be' and comparisons between before and now. i.e. Before I **used to be** weak but now I am strong - Avant j'**étais** faible but maintenant je suis fort...
5. revise the different kinds of pronouns that exist in French (Subject pronouns i.e. il, ils; Direct object pronouns i.e. le, les; Indirect object pronouns i.e. lui, leur)

6. learn how to compare people and things in French using comparatives
7. learn about the verbs that are followed by 'à + infinitif' and 'de + infinitif' i.e. continuer à..., décider de...

Module 7

In this module 7, students will:

1. learn more about finding your way in a French town
2. learn les nombres ordinaux i.e. first, second...etc
3. learn the vocabulary linked to directions. i.e. to the left, to the right...etc
4. learn about reported speech; i.e. Elle a demandé à Charles de fermer les fenêtres- she asked Charles to close the windows
5. revise verbs tenses and conjugation; the present, the perfect, the imperfect and the immediate future

Module 8

In module 8, students will:

1. learn more about a French town
2. learn about spending money
3. learn about new and useful constructions
4. learn how to form the present participle
5. learn how to translate expressions such as 'while, by, on + present participle - i.e while driving or on arriving (en conduisant, en arrivant)
6. be introduced to a dictée in French

Module 9

In module 9, students will revise year 7 learning objectives including:

1. numbers 1- 100
2. the masculine and feminine used for nouns (le, la, un, une)
3. how to conjugate the verbs Avoir and être (to be and to have) in the present tense
4. how to say how old you and others are, when is yours and others' birthday.

5. the verbs in of the first group (ending in –ER)
6. how to say ‘to’ and ‘at in French (use of à, , à la, à l’, au, aux or chez in French)
7. the possessive pronouns ‘my’, ‘your’, ‘his’ and ‘her’ in French (mon, ma, mes, ton, ta, tes, son, sa, ses
8. the reflexive verbs – i.e. se laver, se coucher- (to wash oneself, to go to bed) in the present tense
9. how to express negation
10. how to express quantity
11. the days of the week and the months of the year
12. the different method of transport
13. clothes, colours and adjectives
14. how to ask a question in French
15. Tthe expressions with ‘avoir’
16. the immediate future

Module 10

In module 10, students will:

1. Revise all the French grammar learnt in book 2
2. Learn new vocabulary