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# GCSE REVISION EVENING

**MFL**

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# GCSE MFL 2023



- Key exam information
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- Revision resources
- Subject specific revision and exam technique
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# Key Exam Dates



## Speaking Examinations

April / May (exact dates tbc)

## Listening Paper

French 23<sup>rd</sup> May / German 16<sup>th</sup> May / Spanish 6<sup>th</sup> June

## Reading Paper

French 23<sup>rd</sup> May / German 16<sup>th</sup> May / Spanish 6<sup>th</sup> June

## Writing Paper

French 5<sup>th</sup> June / German 26<sup>th</sup> May / Spanish 13<sup>th</sup> June

# Exam board



## AQA GCSE French (8658) German (8668) Spanish (8698)

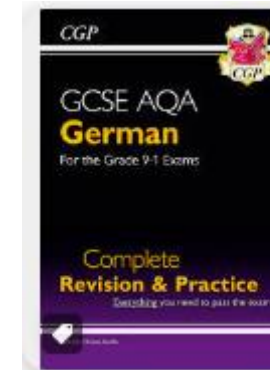
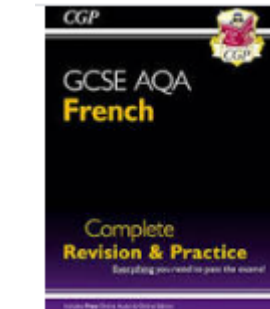
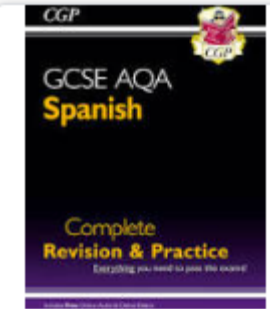
www.aqa.org.uk

The screenshot shows the AQA website for GCSE French. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'Contact us', 'About us', 'Log in', and a 'Site search' box. Below this are tabs for 'Subjects', 'Qualifications', 'Professional development', and 'Exams administration'. The breadcrumb trail reads: 'Subjects / Languages / GCSE / French (8658)'. The main heading is 'GCSE French'. A red box indicates 'Teaching from: September 2016'. Below this, it lists 'Exams from: June 2018', 'Specification code: 8658', and 'QAN code: 601/8157/6'. A small image of the French flag is shown. A purple box asks 'Thinking of teaching GCSE Languages with us?' with a 'Yes, tell me more' button. A 'Talk to us' box provides contact details: '8am-5.30pm Monday to Friday', 'Tel: 01423 534381', and 'Email: nhl@aqa.org.uk'. A 'Download specification' button is visible. At the bottom, there are links for 'Specification >', 'Specification at a glance >', and 'Sample papers and mark schemes >'.

The screenshot shows the AQA website for GCSE Spanish. The breadcrumb trail reads: 'Subjects / Languages / GCSE / Spanish (8698)'. The main heading is 'GCSE Spanish' with the code '8698'. A yellow box contains a notice: 'Because of the impact of Coronavirus (COVID-19) there are some changes to how GCSE Spanish will be assessed in 2022. Find out more.' Below this, it says 'Find all the information, support and resources you need to deliver our specification.' It lists 'Teaching from: September 2016', 'Exams from: June 2018', and 'QAN code: 601/8160/6'. There are tabs for 'Specification', 'Planning resources', 'Teaching resources', 'Assessment resources', and 'Key dates'. A 'Professional development' section states: 'Our range of course are designed to help you develop your skills, build your confidence and progress your career. View all courses and events >'. A 'Spanish updates' section contains three news items: 'GCSE Languages: support for speaking tests in 2022', 'GCSE and A-level languages: instructions for the conduct of exams autumn 2021', and 'GCSE Languages: arrangements for autumn 2021 exams'. A 'Find out why switching to AQA makes sense' box with a 'Request a switching pack >' button is also present.

The screenshot shows the AQA website for GCSE German. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'Contact us' and 'About'. Below this are tabs for 'Subjects', 'Qualifications', and 'Profession'. The breadcrumb trail reads: 'Subjects / Languages / GCSE / German (8668)'. The main heading is 'GCSE German'. A red box indicates 'Teaching from: September 2016'. Below this, it lists 'Exams from: June 2018', 'Specification code: 8668', and 'QAN code: 601/8159/X'. A small image of the German flag is shown. A 'Download specification' button is visible. At the bottom, there are links for 'Specification >', 'Specification at a glance >', and 'Sample papers and mark schemes >'.

# Revision resources



Learn languages online  
with music videos and lyrics.



Deutsche  
Welle



FluentU

# Specific revision and exam technique

- Students need to practise all four skills as part of their revision (Listening / Speaking / Reading and Writing)
- They need to include at least 3 justified opinions in each piece of written work
- The translation into the target language is a glorified grammar test
- Knowledge of extended language and idioms is important for students aiming for grades 7/8/9

# Top tips for students

- Revise little and often
- Complete past papers
- Re-attempt past papers
- Learn phrases you can re-cycle in a range of different contexts
- Use your cultural knowledge to help with the context of the text you are asked to analyse

# As a parent/carer how can I help?

- Test vocabulary
- Practise speaking questions with your child
- Encourage your child to teach you words / phrases in the target language
- Watch films in the target language