

## CURRICULUM

*The subjects and topics will serve as communicative tools through which students will work on and discover the grammar and vocabulary necessary for the level chosen.*

### Level descriptions for General French – A1

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#### A1.1

**In this course you will study Units 0 and 1 of the Tendances A1 textbook.**

*Subjects and topics covered will include:*

- Presenting oneself
- Formality in French (not all of us are rude)
- Simple negation
- Masculine and feminine nouns
- Forming simple questions and asking for information

#### A1.2

**In this course you will study Unit 2, and lessons 1 & 2 of Unit 3 of the Tendances A1 textbook.**

*Subjects and topics covered will include:*

- Asking for and giving directions
- Question words and asking questions
- Numbers and age
- Giving the date and time
- Family and possessive adjectives

#### A1.3

**In this course you will study lessons 3 & 4 of Unit 3, and Unit 4 of the Tendances A1 textbook.**

*Subjects and topics covered will include:*

- Speaking about the future
- Daily routine
- Expressing likes and dislikes
- Expressing agreement and disagreement
- Giving and responding to an invitation
- Giving orders
- Food and quantities

#### A1.4

**In this course you will study Unit 5 of the Tendances A1 textbook.**

*Subjects and topics covered will include:*

- Forming simple sentences about events in the past
- Transport and travel
- Understanding and talking about a region
- Talking about a problem and giving an explanation
- Weather (because in France it does more than just rain)
- Expressing the possession
- Verbs of movement

#### A1.5

**In this course you will study Unit 6, and lessons 1 & 3 of Unit 7 of the Tendances A1 textbook.**

*Subjects and topics covered will include:*

- Comparing objects and people
- Describing colours and clothes
- Shopping online and at a market
- Expressing necessity
- Introducing someone
- Describing one's pastimes
- Offering and refusing an activity

#### A1.6

**In this course you will study lessons 2 & 4 of Unit 7, and Unit 9 of the Tendances A1 textbook.**

*Subjects and topics covered will include:*

- Work and professions
- Expressing duration
- Letter and e-mail writing
- Giving opinion
- Finding accommodation
- Making an appointment
- Furniture and household items
- Describing towns and urban areas

## Level descriptions for General French – A2

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### A2.1

**In this course you will study lesson 2 of Unit 0, and lessons 1 & 3 of Unit 1 of the Tendances A2 textbook. Subjects and topics covered will include:**

- Expressing goal
- Preparing a party
- Meeting with friends
- Past and imperfect tenses
- Appreciating and congratulating
- Dinner table conversation and vocabulary

### A2.2

**In this course you will study lessons 2 & 4 of Unit 1, and Unit 2 of the Tendances A2 textbook. Subjects and topics covered will include:**

- Following and explaining a recipe
- Talking about and inviting someone to a party
- Discussing hopes and plans for the future
- Talking about childhood memories
- Giving one's opinion about education
- Describing different schooling systems
- Discussing one's own education, successes and failures

### A2.3

**In this course you will study lessons 1 & 2 of Unit 3, and Unit 4 of the Tendances A2 textbook. Subjects and topics covered will include:**

- The job hunt; replying to a job posting
- Expressing job satisfaction and dissatisfaction
- Consulting newspapers and surfing the web
- Discussing crimes and disasters
- Writing about miscellaneous news items
- The political and administrative structure of France

## A2.4

**In this course you will study Unit 5, and lessons 1 & 2 of Unit 6 of the Tendances A2 textbook.**

*Subjects and topics covered will include:*

- Talking about health problems and symptoms
- Doctor's appointments and the parts of the body
- Talking about an accident, time and sequences of events
- Exercise and relaxation
- Suggesting and making plans
- Reading a menu and ordering in a restaurant

## A2.5

**In this course you will study lessons 3 & 4 of Unit 6, and Unit 7 of the Tendances A2 textbook.**

*Subjects and topics covered will include:*

- Reserving tickets to a show
- Understanding the summary of a movie
- Talking about a movie
- Asking, giving, and refusing permission
- Standing up for one's rights
- Judging an action or a behaviour

## A2.6

**In this course you will study Unit 8, and lessons 2 & 4 of Unit 9 of the Tendances A2 textbook.**

*Subjects and topics covered will include:*

- Expressing similarities and differences
- Understanding geography and climates
- Comparing ways of life and discussing stereotypes
- Describing and learning about traditions
- Describing the personality, appearance, and behaviour of others
- Social diversity in France

## Level descriptions for General French – B1

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### B1.1

**In this course you will study Unit 1 of the Tendances B1 textbook.**

*Subjects and topics covered will include:*

- Expressing order and will using the subjunctive
- Describing consequences using the conditional
- Expressing doubt, uncertainty, and possibility
- Talking about politics and the economy
- Giving opinions

### B1.2

**In this course you will study Unit 2 of the Tendances B1 textbook.**

*Subjects and topics covered will include:*

- Talking about future events
- Persuading others
- Clothes and style
- Giving advice on bettering oneself
- Staying in shape; advantages and disadvantages of exercise
- Expressing fear and encouragement

### B1.3

**In this course you will study Unit 3 and lesson 1 of Unit 0 of the Tendances B1 textbook.**

*Subjects and topics covered will include:*

- Improving oral expression and spoken fluency
- Planning a trip and talking about key moments
- Getting around by car and writing an accident report
- Talking about previous actions in the past
- Modes of transport and traffic
- Giving advice on safety
- Understanding and writing reviews on tourist sites

### B1.4

**In this course you will study Unit 4 and lesson 3 of Unit 0 of the Tendances B1 textbook.**

*Subjects and topics covered will include:*

- Improving aural comprehension: distinguishing between similar sounding words
- Retelling a personal story and discussing the chronology of events
- Arguments and reconciliation
- Reported speech
- Dealing with difficult people diplomatically
- Pen pals and maintaining friendships through e-mail

### B1.5

**In this course you will study Unit 5 and lesson 1 of Unit 7 of the Tendances B1 textbook.**

*Subjects and topics covered will include:*

- Explaining causes, goals, and consequences at a higher and more nuanced level
- Ecology, biodiversity, and ecowarriors
- Joining an organization
- Appreciating a work of art
- Organising one's arguments in a debate
- Discussing literature and genres

### B1.6

**In this course you will study Unit 6, and lesson 2 of Unit 7 of the Tendances B1 textbook.**

*Subjects and topics covered will include:*

- Improving written expression: distinguishing between levels of formality; avoiding repetition
- Presenting one's career and professional life
- Communicating with colleagues in a professional environment
- Cultural differences in the workplace
- Formation and reconversion
- Discussing historical events

### B1.7

**In this course you will study Unit 8, and lesson 4 of Unit 0 of the Tendances B1 textbook.**

Subjects and topics covered will include:

- Improving written expression: key expressions for formal correspondence; structuring texts
- Understanding and writing reviews and critiques of products
- Banking in France; budgeting and making transactions
- Being a savvy consumer, negotiating and discussing new consumer trends
- Carrying out presentations and debates on the economy, consumers, and producers

### B1.8

**In this course you will study Unit 9 and lesson 2 of Unit 0 of the Tendances B1 textbook.**

*Subjects and topics covered will include:*

- Improving reading skills : devising meaning of new words
- Participating to a survey
- Talking about political parties and people
- Showing approval, disapproval, and giving suggestion
- Presenting conflicting arguments in the same sentence
- Talking about quantities with more nuanced and complex language

## Level descriptions for General French – B2

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### B2.1

**In this course you will study Unit 1 of the Tendances B2 textbook.**

*Subjects and topics covered will include:*

- Making new choices and living new adventures
- Explaining a society phenomenon
- Reacting to a success or a failure
- Expressing will, wish and regret
- Talking about one's passion

### B2.2

**In this course you will study Unit 2 of the Tendances B2 textbook.**

*Subjects and topics covered will include:*

- Taking decisions and setting conditions/restrictions
- Facing unexpected consequences
- Knowing and describing stages of life
- Debating about children's education
- Managing problems with a child or in a couple

### B2.3

**In this course you will study Unit 3 of the Tendances B2 textbook.**

*Subjects and topics covered will include:*

- Presenting a song
- Writing a creative text for a special event
- Reading and commenting French literature
- Talking about a movie and its famous scenes
- Getting and giving information about artistic exhibitions
- Forming complex sentences about events in the past

### B2.4

**In this course you will study Unit 4 of the Tendances B2 textbook.**

*Subjects and topics covered will include:*

- Making hypotheses and deductions
- Judging the value of an information
- Taking notes and summarizing information
- Giving an opinion about an ecological problem
- Making a documentary research to defend a cause



## B2.5

**In this course you will study Unit 5 of the Tendances B2 textbook.**

*Subjects and topics covered will include:*

- Presenting an innovation
- Understanding an user manual
- Health and well-being
- Expressing surprise and indifference
- Building complex sentences with relative pronouns and passive voice
- Expressing satisfaction and dissatisfaction at a higher and more nuanced level

## B2.6

**In this course you will study Unit 6 of the Tendances B2 textbook.**

*Subjects and topics covered will include:*

- Answering to a survey
- Thinking about a new economy
- Defending or criticising a project
- Talking about the values of a society
- Leading and campaigning for a social action
- Organizing arguments in a coherent way

## B2.7

**In this course you will study Unit 8 of the Tendances B2 textbook.**

*Subjects and topics covered will include:*

- Telling a legend
- Describing places and their history
- Learning clichés about French regions
- Debating about regionalization in France
- Discovering gastronomy and local products
- Understanding reported speech at the past tense
- Defending a place or an object from the heritage of a country

## B2.8

**In this course you will study Unit 9 of the Tendances B2 textbook.**

*Subjects and topics covered will include:*

- Assuming responsibilities
- Expressing feelings and emotions
- Maintaining good relationships with others
- Describing the workings of businesses
- Employment and unemployment
- Managing timetable
- The job hunt; writing a CV, a cover letter and preparing for an interview

## Refresher

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This course is designed as a brush up of the A1 level, perfect for newcomers or current Conversation A1 students who wish to join an A2 general French class!

## Conversational French

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Our conversational French is perfect for students who have just completed a cycle of general French courses and need more oral practice before joining the next level. If you are a new student, come for a free placement test and let a teacher walk you through this timetable!