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## Citrus Valley High School

2022-23

# AP French: Summer Assignments

**Due date: August 10, 2022**

Google Classroom join code: 7mcerkv

## OVERVIEW

The AP French Language and Culture course is designed for highly motivated students with strong studying habits. French language skills must be maintained throughout the summer. There are both required and optional (but highly recommended) assignments to complete. Do not wait until the week before school begins to do assignments. A good online dictionary is [wordreference.com](http://wordreference.com).

## GOALS

1. To become familiar with the AP French themes and the AP exam format
2. To maintain and strengthen French language skills in all four modalities: reading, writing, speaking, and listening, in preparation for the AP French course
3. To enrich cultural knowledge of the francophone world

## THEMES

Through AP French, students will compare (and contrast) Francophone cultures within the following six AP themes:

### 1. Families and Communities

- o What constitutes a family in different societies?
- o How do individuals contribute to the well-being of communities?
- o How do the roles that families and communities assume differ in societies around the world?

### 2. Science and Technology

- o How do developments in science and technology affect our lives?
- o What factors have driven innovation and discovery in the fields of science and technology?
- o What role do ethics play in scientific advancement?

### 3. Beauty and Aesthetics

- o How are perceptions of beauty and creativity established?
- o How do ideals of beauty and aesthetics influence daily life?
- o How do the arts both challenge and reflect cultural perspectives?

### 4. Contemporary Life

- o How do societies and individuals define quality of life?
- o How is contemporary life influenced by cultural products, practices, and perspectives?
- o What are the challenges of contemporary life?

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## 5. Global Challenges

- o What environmental, political, and social issues propose challenges to societies throughout the world?
- o What are the origins of those issues?
- o What are possible solutions to those challenges?

## 6. Personal and Public Identities

- o How are aspects of identity expressed in various situations?
- o How do language and culture influence identity?
- o How does one's identity develop over time?

## AP EXAM FORMAT

Familiarize yourself with the AP test format:

<https://apcentral.collegeboard.org/courses/ap-french-language-and-culture/exam>

## Reading and Writing: Current Events

Find **two** French magazine or newspaper articles about a current event, or an article of interest, occurring in a francophone country. Read your selected articles and complete a *Résumé d'article* (below) for each one. Suggested resources for current events and articles (in print and/or online) include <https://www.lemonde.fr/> and <http://www.rfi.fr/>. More resources can be found below.

## Résumé d'article

Print the article (first page only if long) or copy the web address below.

Le site Internet:

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Check all the AP themes that apply to your article:

- Families & Communities · Science & Technology · Beauty & Aesthetics
- Contemporary Life · Global Challenges · Personal & Public Identities

1. Quel est le titre de l'article ?

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2. Qui est l'auteur ?

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3. Quand est-ce que l'article a été publié ? (Il y a moins de quatre mois) \_\_\_\_\_

4. L'article se passe dans quels pays ?

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## French News (Audio/Video)

**TF1 video news** - Streamed video clips of current news. Requires [RealPlayer®](#).

**TV5**- French satellite/cable TV station with [streamed video news clips](#). Requires [RealPlayer®](#)

**France 24**- International news in French, English, and Arabic

**France 2 video news** - Streamed video clips of current news. Requires [RealPlayer®](#).

**France 3 video news** streamed video clips of current news. Requires [RealPlayer®](#).

**France 5**- French TV network

**Arte**- French TV network

**M6**- French TV network

**Canal Plus**- French cable TV network

**Télérama**- information on French TV and cinema; includes [TV program guide](#)

**Tunisia TV**- broadcasts in French and Arabic with [RealPlayer®](#)

**LCI (La Chaîne Info) live video**- live video stream of current broadcasts. Requires [RealPlayer®](#).

**Radio France Internationale** hear streamed radio broadcasts fifteen minutes after they are aired in Paris. Requires [RealPlayer®](#).

**Radio Canada**- audio and video from Canadian radio and TV.

**Radio Canada International**- news reports and audio eight languages

**SCOLA** schedules for news broadcasts from around the world.

**Broadcast-live.com**- portal with links to sites streaming audio and video on the web

**Broadband-Television.com**- portal with links to sites streaming audio and video on the web (most links require ISDN, DSL, Cable, or T1 connection)

## French Magazines

**L'Express** selected articles from French weekly news magazine.

**Le Point** French weekly news magazine

**l'Expansion** French weekly business magazine.

**Paris Match** French weekly magazine

**Pariscope** French entertainment weekly

**TV Magazine** French TV guide

**Le Nouvel Observateur** French weekly magazine.

**CyberSciences**- science news site run by the magazine Québec Sciences.

