



Course Description : French 3 • 2013-14

(a two-semester high school course available for 5 college credits through UMSL, as course **French 1001/French I**)

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Grading : 75% Assessments, 25% homework

(Assessments include oral presentations, oral interaction tests, and written assessments)

Principal resources :

- *Discovering French Nouveau • Blanc* (McDougal Littell 2013) → Textbook, workbooks, & DVD
- Assorted additional resources prepared by the teacher
- Online activities on QUIA.com and QUIZLET.com -- available through our interactive MOODLE for class

A. Grammar Topics

1. **Passé Composé-special cases** : verbs that sometimes use *être*, sometimes use *avoir*
2. **Agreement in the Passé Composé**: agreement with subject vs. agreement with direct objects
3. **L'Imparfait**: Formation for regular and irregular verbs; How to choose between *Imparfait* and *Passé Composé*
4. **Passé Simple**: Recognizing regular and irregular *Passé Simple* in readings
5. **What & That**: Choosing among the several phrases that express *what* and *that*
6. **Since, During & For**: Choosing among the several phrases that express these ideas
7. **Interrogative and Demonstrative Pronouns**: Expressing *Which one?* • *the one* • *this one* • *that one* • *these/those*
8. **Object Pronouns** : more work with object pronouns, emphasizing the many ways to express *me, you, him, her, them*
9. **Futur Simple**: Expressing verbs in the future tense

B. Vocabulary themes

1. **Extensive household vocabulary and other topics related to where one lives**
2. **History and Art** as relates to our studies of the Capet and Angevin royal families of medieval France
3. **Extensive vocabulary for Clothes, accessories and their descriptions and shopping for clothes**
4. **Le Maghreb** : vocabulary to go with readings on this area of the African French-speaking world
5. **Harry Potter**: vocabulary related to Harry Potter books, and miscellaneous vocabulary found in selected readings from *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*
6. **Planning Vacations**
7. **Computer & Internet**: Vocabulary for modern communications

C. Cultural Topics and Readings

1. How and where people live in France and other European French-speaking countries
2. Major characters in French history during the Middle Ages
3. Marcel Pagnol and his writings set in the *Provence* region of France
4. Le Maghreb : Some French-speaking countries in Africa and the history of the colonization of Africa by the French
5. *Harry Potter* in French

D. Possible videos and films

- *The Lion In Winter* (1968)
- *La Rue Cases Nègres* (French-speaking Martinique in 1930)
- *Manon des Sources* (1986 • based on the novel by Marcel Pagnol)
- *Monsieur Batignolle* (France during the Occupation of WWII)

E. Review and reinforcement: all previous grammatical structures, vocabulary, and verb tenses