**AS and A Level French at RGS**

**Recommended reading and optional summer preparation tasks:**

**The film**

La Haine film, by Matthieu Kassovitz is the film you will study for AS level/the first year.



* Watch 5 videos in English and write summaries of what you learnt about the film: in bullet points in English. You may attempt to translate your notes into French but look up vocabulary and don’t use AI or Google Translate:
	+ [La Haine - The Collision Of Values](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b2ZcLHAFDQ8&list=PLeo5nwtUrvjSZdG9o3yeav5OMKhzpyVER)
	+ [LA HAINE - The reflection of a fallen society | Video Essay (SPOILERS)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ifva3JsrJoE&list=PLeo5nwtUrvjSZdG9o3yeav5OMKhzpyVER&index=2)
	+ [La Haine and Insignificance - Video Essay](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l63NFLOK_o0&list=PLeo5nwtUrvjSZdG9o3yeav5OMKhzpyVER&index=4)
	+ [La Haine - So Far, So Good...](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7EJs7g8bySY&list=PLeo5nwtUrvjSZdG9o3yeav5OMKhzpyVER&index=5)
	+ [What's in a Scene? - La Haine Character Analysis](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WffiufaE4pA&list=PLeo5nwtUrvjSZdG9o3yeav5OMKhzpyVER&index=6)
* Or watch videos in French and make notes on anything you do understand in French and English (click CC for the subtitles to help understand): [French: 'La Haine', Mathieu Kassowitz - Dr Ashley Harris, Queen's University Belfast](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TRSK5E0Kbk8) and [Makomé, tué d'une balle dans la tête par un policier (le drame qui a inspiré le film La Haine)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s6vPB_61SUw)

**The book**

Bonjour Tristesse, par Françoise Sagan: the book you will study in the second year



* [Romans – Bonjour tristesse – Françoise Sagan](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lbG9-Eo_ICI): listen to 30 minutes of the audio book with the subtitles, make notes in French and English of anything you understood about the story and the characters.
* Find 5 extracts from the online film ( the old film, there is a new one but it’s not available yet) on youtube and write summaries of each extract in French: this is the film in English: [Bonjour Tristesse - 1959 - Otto Preminger - PT-BR](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ImJzk-6r9zE) and in French: [Bonjour Tristesse ( Téléfilm Réalisé par Peter Kassovitz en 1995 )](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4GY7_MwZruo)

**Grammar and tenses revisions**

* Basic tenses revisions: using a verb table ensure you are fully confident with regular verbs in -er/-ir/-re and high frequency irregular verbs conjugations patterns in the present, perfect, imperfect, simple and near future, conditional tense.
* You may complete 10 exercises from the tenses sections of the following website at GCSE level or AS level if the GCSE ones are too easy for you, for the tenses you feel the least confident with: complete regular and irregular verbs exercises and keep screenshots of your work using this website: [index: la grammaire de l'absurde](https://www.laits.utexas.edu/tex/gr/index.html) or [languages online](https://www.languagesonline.org.uk/French/Grammar/Tense_Practice/Index.htm#gsc.tab=0)

**More films**

Watch French films on Netflix or Amazon Prime:

 

* Netflix films in French are listed here: [French Movies & TV | Netflix Official Site](https://www.netflix.com/gb/browse/genre/107562)
* To find free French films, you can use the search function within Prime Video and filter by language or genre.

**French music**

Listen to music in French: search on youtube or Spotify: Stromae, chansons française

**French news**

Watch French news reports for French learners on youtube searching for “un jour une actu”.