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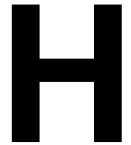
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# GCSE FRENCH



## Higher Tier Paper 1 Listening

Wednesday 21 May 2025

Morning

Time allowed: 45 minutes approximately

(including 5 minutes' reading time before the test)

You will need no other materials.

The pauses are pre-recorded for this test.

### Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- **Do not open this book until you are told to do so.**

This is what you should do for each item.

- After the question number is announced, there will be a pause to allow you to read the instructions and questions.
- Listen carefully to the recording and read the questions again.
- Listen to the recording again, and then answer the questions.
- When the next question is about to start you will hear a bleep like this (\*).
- You may write at any time during the test.
- In **Section A**, answer the questions in **English**. In **Section B**, answer the questions in **French**.
- You must answer all the questions in the spaces provided. Do **not** write outside the box around each page or on blank pages.
- Write neatly and put down **all** the information you are asked to give.
- Ask any questions now. **You must not ask questions or interrupt during the test.**
- You now have five minutes to read through the question paper. You may make notes during this time. You may open your answer book now.
- **The test starts now.**

### Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets. The maximum mark for this paper is 50.
- You must **not** use a dictionary.

For Examiner's Use	
Question	Mark
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**Section A**Questions and answers in **English**.**Living in a city**

You hear a teacher and students discussing life in the city of Lomé in Togo.

According to the students, what are the **advantages** and **disadvantages** of living in Lomé?

Complete the boxes in **English**.

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Abia

Advantage	Disadvantage

[2 marks]

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Edem

Advantage	Disadvantage

[2 marks]

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Kassima

Advantage	Disadvantage

[2 marks]

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**Working from home**

In a TV documentary, you hear people talking about working from home.

What is their opinion of working from home?

Write **P** for a **positive** opinion.

**N** for a **negative** opinion.

**P + N** for a **positive** and **negative** opinion.

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**Ecotourism**

On French radio, you hear this report about ecotourism in the Ivory Coast\*, a country in West Africa.

Answer the questions in **English**.

\* *La Côte d'Ivoire = the Ivory Coast*

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According to the report, how does ecotourism help the inhabitants of the Ivory Coast?  
[1 mark]

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Why are some animals endangered according to the report? Give **one** reason.  
[1 mark]

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What **exactly** has caused concern recently in the national park and why?  
[2 marks]

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**A drama student**

You hear this interview on French radio with Enzo, who talks about his studies.

Choose the correct answer and write the letter in the box.

Answer **both** parts of the question.

1 3 . 1 Enzo's interest in drama began...

<b>A</b>	quite recently.
<b>B</b>	when he was very young.
<b>C</b>	because of his parents.

[1 mark]

1 3 . 2 When Enzo was a teenager...

<b>A</b>	he appeared in just one play.
<b>B</b>	he set up a drama club.
<b>C</b>	he did <b>not</b> enjoy playing some roles.

[1 mark]

Answer **both** parts of the question.

1 4 . 1 When he changed schools, Enzo...

<b>A</b>	started to do more acting.
<b>B</b>	became interested in football.
<b>C</b>	was put into the wrong class.

[1 mark]

1 4 . 2 In the future, Enzo wants to...

<b>A</b>	continue his studies.
<b>B</b>	be a drama teacher.
<b>C</b>	do acting as a hobby.

[1 mark]

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**A French carnival**

In a podcast, you hear Safina talking about the carnival in Nice.

Which **three** statements are **true**?

Write the correct letters in the boxes.

<b>A</b>	The carnival in Nice is <b>not</b> as old as other French carnivals.
<b>B</b>	Safina has been to Nice before.
<b>C</b>	The theme changes each year.
<b>D</b>	The concerts were boring.
<b>E</b>	She likes fireworks.
<b>F</b>	The acrobat shows take place indoors.

**[3 marks]**

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**Social media**

On Belgian TV, you hear a debate about the dangers of social media.

Which danger does each speaker mention?

Write the correct letter in the box.

<b>A</b>	Bullying
<b>B</b>	Fake news
<b>C</b>	Fraud
<b>D</b>	Lack of privacy
<b>E</b>	Possible addiction
<b>F</b>	Unrealistic body image

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**Interview with a singer from Cameroon**

You hear this interview with Daphné, a singer from Cameroon.

Answer the questions in **English**.

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What **two** messages does Daphné's song mention?

[2 marks]

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Why was Daphné's song a success? Give **two** reasons.

[2 marks]

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What are Daphné's future plans? Give **two** details.

[2 marks]

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**Twins**

In an online forum, you hear twins talking about their experiences.

Which aspect of being a twin does each speaker mention?

Write the correct letter in the box.

<b>A</b>	Cheating in tests
<b>B</b>	Inventing their own language
<b>C</b>	Making extra expense for parents
<b>D</b>	Sharing a bedroom
<b>E</b>	Tiring parents out
<b>F</b>	Wearing identical clothes

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**Poverty**

On French radio, you hear an interview with Arnaud about life on the minimum wage.

Answer the question in **English**.

Because he lives on the minimum wage, Arnaud **cannot** do what **three** things?

**[3 marks]**

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**Section B**Questions and answers in **French**.**A la gare**

A la gare de Toulouse, vous entendez ces annonces.

Choisissez la bonne réponse. Ecrivez la bonne lettre dans la case.

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Le train de Bordeaux ...

<b>A</b>	est déjà arrivé.
<b>B</b>	est en retard.
<b>C</b>	va arriver à deux heures.

**[1 mark]****2 9**

Le prochain train ...

<b>A</b>	arrive de Paris.
<b>B</b>	est complet.
<b>C</b>	est direct.

**[1 mark]****3 0**

Pour aller à Albi aujourd'hui, prenez ...

<b>A</b>	le car.
<b>B</b>	le taxi.
<b>C</b>	le tramway.

**[1 mark]****3 1**

Le restaurant ...

<b>A</b>	est fermé le dimanche.
<b>B</b>	est ouvert 24 heures sur 24.
<b>C</b>	ferme à 20 heures.

**[1 mark]**

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**Mes études**

Ecoutez Léa qui parle de ses études.

Complétez les phrases suivantes en **français**.

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Le mois dernier, Léa a reçu une ...

[1 mark]

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Au collège, les portables sont interdits dans le ...

[1 mark]

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**Répondez aux deux aspects de la question.**

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Plus tard, Léa veut être ...

[1 mark]

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Les parents de Léa seront ...

[1 mark]

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**La santé**

Ecoutez ces conversations sur la santé.

On donne quels conseils ?

Ecrivez la bonne lettre dans la case.

<b>A</b>	Choisissez bien vos légumes.
<b>B</b>	Evitez le poisson.
<b>C</b>	Mangez lentement.
<b>D</b>	Ne mangez jamais de viande rouge.

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