

French 6th and 7th grade

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We use the Work-a-Text "*French is Fun*" (by Stein and Wald: Amsco Publishers).

The students will learn and be tested on their ability to read and write memorized vocabulary, from French to English and vice a versa. They will also have written chapter tests to assess their ability to work with complex grammar and apply what they know to everyday situations. Every chapter test includes a "listening comprehension" part. Every quarter, students will be tested on the quality of their pronunciation during the Quarterly Exam.

The class is built around conversation, understanding and application of their knowledge in real situations.

Written exercises are balanced with oral participation, reading, dialogue and acting. Since we only meet twice a week, every class is reinforced with homework. We view clips of movies with or without subtitles, we listen to Modern French POP music and create our own French crossword puzzles with puzzlemaker.com. We incorporate the middle school French class students in the French Chorus for the various Arts House Cafés and other presentations.