

French Intermediate Group

Topics Covered up to 13th July 2026

For members of the group who have missed sessions, or for people interested in joining the group, the list below details what has been covered so far with the most recent meeting listed first.

Group members who want to catch up can use the relevant from the text book **Voici**. YouTube videos and podcasts shown at the meetings are available as links on the Cam, Dursley & District U3A website on the French Intermediate Group pages, where you can also find links to archived material.

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Date	Talk French 2, Voici and other activities	Ma France and other videos/podcasts
20260713	Check crosswords 28, 29 and 30 Check homework on how to order coffee in a French café Voici, Pages 53 and 54, Exercises 4-6 – things you like, things you hate, filling in a questionnaire. Spend 5 minutes talking to each other in French in groups about things you hate.	Easy French video with transcript and exercises, At the Beach – watch video and read and translate around the room, then do exercises. Video with supporting fact sheet, Podcast on things I hate Video – Think in French, how do you say “I just arrived” in French Video short funny – French makes no sense - adjectives
20260622	Check crosswords 25, 26 and 27 Check homework, Voici Page 48 nos 4-7 Voici, pages 50 and 51 in groups, read text on page 50 and then answer questions on page 51, check answers as a whole group. Voici Page 52, activity 2, listen to audio and answer the questions as a whole group. Activity 3 – answer the questions in groups.	Video with exercises – Practice your French prepositions Easy French video with transcript How to order coffee in a French café – watch video and then read and translate the transcript around the room. Video – French listening skills practice, concentrating on fast spoken French played multiple times.

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		Video short funny – A tourist ordering at a French café.
20260608	Check crosswords 22, 23 and 24 Check homework, Voici Page 47 nos 1-3 Voici Pages 38 and 39, Activity 12 listen and answer round the room. Activity 13 in groups of 2, A vous in groups of 2, practising conversing in French. Voici Pages 44 and 45, En Pratique 3 and 4, all together complete the exercises. Exercises based on the video How to argue in French in groups of 2	Video – Tout, tous, toute and toutes with exercises. Video with transcript, How to argue in French, watch video then read and translate the transcript. Video short funny – If English was spoken like French.
20260511	Check crosswords 19, 20 and 21 Check homework, How to order at a French bakery Exercises, the Futur Antérieur in groups Voici pages 34 – 37 incorporating listening to audio, answering questions, reading and translating from French text.	Video – How to form the Futur Simple Video – the Futur Antérieur featuring the endings from the Futur Simple Video in slow French, Les Loisirs des Français. Watch the video then read and translate the transcript. Amusing Video shorts – French teachers lied to you and French makes no sense – plurals.
20260427	Check crosswords 16, 17 and 18 Check homework, reflexive verbs perfect tense, P31 of grammar workbook Voici P30 Activity 5 interview with a cheesemaker, listen to video and answer the questions.	Video short – reflexive verb opposites

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	Voici P41, En Pratique 1, listen to audio and then do the exercises in groups. Voici Page 32 – Interview with a baker. Read the text around the room, translate and answer the questions as a whole group.	Video with transcript, How to order at a French bakery. Watch the video and then read the transcript round the room. Video – Test your listening skills, an exercise in listening to fast spoken French multiple times in order to better understand Video – How and when to use the Futur Antérieur tense Short funny video – ordering at a French bakery for the first time.
20260413	Check Crosswords 13, 14 and 15 Check Homework, P26 of Voici, Faison le point Pages 28 and 29 of Voici, Activities 2 and 3 reflexive verbs Transcript of French Alphabet and Pronunciation read around the room and discuss.	Short video recapping reflexive verbs Video – Reflexive verbs in the perfect tense Video – French Alphabet and pronunciation Video on how to use the word 'on' in French with Fact sheet Short video funny, French makes no sense, rhyming.
20260323	Check Crosswords 10, 11 and 12 Check homework, job interview Exercises on French Negatives from GCSE Grammar workbook Voici Pages 18 – 20 Earth, Air, Fire and Water hands. Page 25 En Pratique Exercise Plus-Que-Parfait from GCSE Grammar workbook	Video – French negatives – Dylane Video – Passé Composé v Plus-Que-Parfait

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20260309	Check Crosswords 7, 8 and 9 2026 Check homework, talking about hobbies	Video – Jouer à or Jouer de . French prepositions with fact sheet. Video - ' Du ', ' des ', ' au ' and ' aux ' how to choose the right preposition with fact sheet
	Voici pages 16 and 17, Activities 9 and 10, All members translate the job adverts on these pages (Activity 9), then in smaller groups complete the exercise (Activity 10) .	Video, A French Job Interview with accompanying Transcript and Vocabulary. Watch and listen, then read and translate the transcript around the room. Video – Introduction to the Plus Que Parfait with accompanying fact sheet
	In groups, Speaking in French practice: read an extract from La Vie Outre Manche, translate it and then discuss it together in French	Video - #Frenchies interview with M Macron
20260223	Check Crosswords 4, 5 and 5 2026 Check homework, how to describe things in French, textbook French v spoken French	Video – Apprendre le vocabulaire française pour la voiture et les véhicules. Car parts
	Voici Pages 14 and 15 discussing the colours of cars and answering the questions.	Short video quiz on parts of a car
	Exercise, translate the English words for parts of a car to French – in groups, then describe your own cars in French within your groups.	
	Coffee Book French book, page 110, translation challenge in groups	Easy French video on how to describe hobbies in French, watch and listen to the

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		By request, recap on the French alphabet using an Alexa video
20260209	Check Crosswords 1, 2 and 3 2026 Check homework – adjectives of manner Voici – Page 9, Activities 1 and 2 in groups Read around the room – transcript of how to describe things in French Voici Pages 10 and 11 – Activities 3 and 4 Listen to the audio and then answer the questions in groups Voici Pages 12 and 13, Activities 5 and 7 Listen to audio Activity 5 and answer as a whole group. Read the ads in Activity 7 and answer the questions as a whole group.	Video – How to practice speaking French by yourself. Video – How to describe things in French Video – Spoken French v Textbook French
20251208	Check crosswords 52, 53 and 54 Check homework, 10 slang expressions in French Adverb exercise, P20 of Grammar Workbook Page 105 of Talk French 2 book, conversation practice	Video – Adverbs of manner Video with accompanying transcript and questions – French short story – Un matin d’hiver Video – what do the French eat at Christmas Video – interactive French number quiz Video shorts, make fun of French numbers, and Christmas shopping.
20251124	Check crosswords 49, 50 and 51	

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	Check homework – Easy French – what can you buy for €10 in Paris	Video with transcript, translation and exercises – 10 slang terms in French
	TF2 Book pages 103 and 104	Comparatives Video, plus...que, moin...que and aussi...que
	Exercises on comparatives	
	Read transcript and do exercises on eruption of Mount Pelee.	Video short – You thought it was Les Amis, not Lez Amis.
20251110	Check crosswords 46, 47 and 48 Check homework – Easy French how to make French pancakes exercises	
	TF2 book, page 99 Expressing your appreciation, page 100 – Put it all together, Page 102 – Quiz.	
	Exercises – French superlative from Grammar workbook.	Video – French superlatives (with accompanying fact sheet)
	Read transcript in turn of What can you buy with €10 in Paris.	Easy French Video – What can you buy with €10 in Paris?
		Video short – Don't say Oui, there are alternatives.
20251027	Talk to members about possible exchange with U3A Berjerac members (twinned with Dursley) and gauge response. Carol and Rhona to attend meeting in December at council offices to find out more. Also discuss the room rental increase and how that affects us. Not raising the subs for members at present.	
	Check crosswords 40, 41 and 42 and the additional crosswords 43, 44 and 45 (45 has French clues). To continue with two crosswords with English clues and one with French clues.	

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	Check homework on Imparfait v Passé Composé Talk French 2 book, pages 97 and 98, wine at dinner and commenting on a meal. Exercise on the Imperative Read and translate the transcript of Easy French cooking crepes.	Short video on Future Simple with interactive Quiz at the end to refresh Future Simple tense. Video on the Imperative (an order, an invitation or a request) Video – Easy French cooking crepes Video Short – Opposites attract
20250922	Check crosswords 37, 38 and 39 Check homework from P92 and P94 of TF2 TF2 Book, Page 93 – Now you're talking Read Easy French transcript round the room, translate and then complete the exercises in groups. Check exercise answers shown on screen. TF2 Book, Page 96, following a recipe	Video – When to use the Imparfait v when to use the Passé Composé Video Easy French, What makes the French happy? Video short – French makes no sense - a word for symmetrical.
20250908	Check crosswords 34, 35 and 36 Talk French 2 book, page 90 nos 1 and 2, Savoir and Connaître Talk French 2 book, page 90, no 3 and Page 91 nos 4 and 5, What people are like and the word "si" Talk French 2 Page 91, nos 5 and 6, describing people and what they look like Exercise – Mon téléphone est déchargé with multiple choice questions to be done in groups.	Video - Savoir and Connaître with accompanying fact sheet Video – the meaning of the word "Si" with accompanying fact sheet Video – How to express feelings in French with accompanying fact sheet Video – Small Talk in Slow French with transcript and exercises, watch video, read and translate in groups and then complete the exercises, also in groups.

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20250728	Check crosswords 31, 32 and 33 Check homework on Mixed Tenses Talk French 2 Book, Pages 87-88 Making suggestions. Talk French 2 Book, Page 89, sending and replying to an invitation Exercises on Picnic in Paris Coffee Break French Book, Pages 115 – 118 Recipe for Olive Tapenade with exercises	Video Short – Positive and Negative remarks in different levels from A1 to C2 Video – When to use tu or toi with accompanying fact sheet Video – Don’t say Je Veux in French Video – Easy French, Picnic in Paris, watch video then read and translate transcript Video Short – French makes no sense, water
20250714	Check crosswords 28,29 and 30 Check homework, 10 sentences using On instead of Nous Talk French 2 Book, Pages 85 and 86 working in groups Exercise – Une petite histoire – find the tenses in the French short story Exercise – Anagrams, work out the French anagrams	Dylane 5 minute slow French video on Apple with accompanying transcript. View then read and translate in turn. Video – Talk French with me dialogue includes revision on Conditional and Imperfect tenses Video Quiz – Do you know your French numbers. Revision on numbers from small to large. Video shorts – Every day conversation, and amusing video on “ready to freeze your mind”
20250623	Crosswords 25, 26 and 27 Check homework TF2 book P80, Put it all together TF2 book, Page 81 Now You’re talking P82 – Quiz, and Pages 83/84 En Plus 4	Podcasts Français Facile Vérification des champignons and Douleurs a l’estomac, listen then read and translate

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		Video – Fast phone conversation, booking a doctor's appointment Video – Nous v On, Why you should never use nous is modern spoken French, video lesson with accompanying fact sheet Short amusing video – Khaki v Kaki
20250609	Check crosswords 22, 23 and 24 Check homework, TF2 P76 unit 4, P77 unit 3 Exercise on Reflexive Verbs in the perfect tense TF2 Page 78 – describing symptoms TF2 Page 79 – following instructions, at the doctor and at the pharmacist Exercise on naming body parts with print out and list of body parts Le médecin, le dentiste short story, read and translate CBF book exercise Pages 107-109 – Louis Pasteur, read translate and answer questions in groups	Short video on naming body parts Video – how to speak to a doctor in France Easy French video – at the doctor's Learn French with films - Harry Potter video – Platform 9¾
20250512	Check crosswords 19, 20 and 21 Check homework, P48 Exam Practice Workbook, Where to Go Le campe d'été – French short story, read and translate round the room Talk French 2 book, P76, saying how you are feeling. Talk French 2 book, P77, relating an incident (incorporates reflexive verbs in perfect tense)	Video – 21 French phrases to use at the doctor's surgery. Video – Reflexive verbs in the perfect tense

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	Voici, Pages 35 and 35 – Il faut se détendre, listen, read and translate	Video – When to use, and not to use, capital letters in French Video – Learn French with Harry Potter – le serpent
20250428	Check crosswords 16, 17 and 18 Check homework, P72 of Talk French 2 book TF2 book, pages 71, 73 and 74 Ma France Unit 22 read and translate the transcript in turn. Exercise – Talking about Holidays – translate from English in to French, read a passage in French and put the correct words in to the spaces left for them.	Video – Improve your French with real French dialogue – Les Vacances Video Ma France Unit 22 – Hotel Requests Short Video – That’s French – French vowels
20250414	Check crosswords 13, 14 and 15 Check homework, Imperfect and Perfect Tense exercises from Grammar Workbook Ma France Unit 18 transcript, read and translate CBF book, page 180 – 183, working through the exercises on passé composé (perfect tense) as a whole group. Talk French 2 book, pages 68 – 70	Video – Translation challenge, includes perfect and imperfect tenses Video – Ma France Unit 18 Guided Tour Video – Talking about the weather with Geraldine. Short video – Michael McIntyre on the French
20250324	Check crosswords 10, 11 and 12 Check homework, Negatives exercise from Grammar Workbook and Checkpoint 12 from TF2 Grammar book	

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	Exercise as a whole group on the Imperfect Tense	Video on how to conjugate the imperfect tense
	TF 2 book, pages 63 – 66 (En plus 3). Working through the exercises as a whole group, reading, pronunciation and grammar practice.	Video on comparison between the perfect and imperfect tenses
		Video – Learn French through film using a scene from Intouchables
20250224	Check crosswords 7, 8 and 9 Check homework – Perfect Tense	
	Talk French 2 book, pages 60, 61 and 62	Ma France Unit 16 – B&B watch video then read and translate the transcript
	Exercise in groups on negatives	Video on negatives in the perfect tense
		Video on “drop the ne” in negatives
		Video short, Vache, Oh la vache, vachement
20250210	Check crosswords 4, 5 and 6 Check homework – Prepositions	
	Exercise on prepositions in groups	Dylane video on prepositions of place
	Talk French 2 book pages 58 & 59 – Perfect Tense Exercise on perfect tense in groups	Alexa Quiz on prepositions
		Dylane video on Devoir and Falloir
20250127	Check Crosswords 1, 2 and 3 (2025) Talk French 2 Pages 56 and 57, J’ai perdu mon ordinateur portable.	Video – Articles Quiz
	Exercise on giving and asking directions.	Video – Super Easy French, asking and giving directions.
		Video – Geraldine, phrases used by real French people – the market
	Ma France Unit 4 transcript, read and translate.	Video - Ma France Unit 4 – Shopping
		Video – 5 minute chit chat on McDonalds

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	5 minute chit chat on McDonalds transcript, read and translate.	RobWords, French words in English, a brief history.
20241209	Check Crosswords 23 and 24 Check homework (pages 45 and 47 of Grammar workbook and page 52 of Talk French 2 book. Français Facile – Le Sapin de Noel, listen to audio and then read and translate round the room. Pendu game using Christmas vocabulary Français Facile – Repas de Noel, listen to audio and then read and translate.	Video – A2 level French Quiz Short video – Christmas vocabulary Video – improve your listening skills with a telephone conversation.