

Common European Framework of Reference - CEFR Levels

A0 BEGINNER

Basics of the French language. Capacity to understand and say (express) isolated (single) words

A1.1 - A1.2 FALSE BEGINNER

Ability to understand and express simple sentences and cope with simple and familiar situations.

A2.1 - A2.2 PRE-INTERMEDIATE

Capacity to understand and express simple phrases as well as manage predictable situations.

Ability to understand varied conversations and begin to express opinions. Ability to function in travel and simple/basic work contexts.

B1.1 - B1.2 INTERMEDIATE

Ability to understand and interact with a wide variety of people in various situations. Ability to use French as a working language in simple and repetitive contexts. Ability to understand a variety of conversations and express opinions.

Ability to read and write simple texts such as emails and business correspondence with ease.

Ability to sustain conversations in French on a wide range of topics. Ability to work in a professional setting.

B2.1 - B2.2 AUTONOMOUS → FLUENT

Level required in professional and academic (university) contexts. Grammatical accuracy in oral formulation and in writing texts. Ability to work in both French and English.

C1.1 - C1.2 ADVANCED

Advanced level. Spontaneity and nuance of expression, richness of vocabulary, mastery of the more complex structures of French. Ability to express oneself without searching for words.

C2.1 - C2.2 MASTERY

Level of mastery. Detailed, nuanced, and spontaneous expression. Ability to address all topics and situations.