

Monash University
School of Languages, Cultures and Linguistics
French Studies Program

Level 5 Placement Test

Student name:

Student number:

Email address (should we need to contact you. Please PRINT):

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Students get the result of the placement test by ringing the General Office of the School of Languages, Cultures and Linguistics (Building 11 “Menzies:”, S423)

Ms. Jocelyne Mohamudally 9905 2223

Ms. Linda Beyer 9905 2281

1. Please fill in the information below. This is to help us advise you on the language level most suitable for you. The information you provide is strictly confidential. It will only be seen by the staff members who will be assessing your test and will be destroyed once your enrolment is finalized.

2. Then please do the composition detailed overleaf.

3. Finally, return it as soon as possible (48 hours of receipt of test) by mailing it with the completed questionnaire to:

**French studies program
Placement Test Level 5
School of Languages, Cultures and Linguistics
Building 11
Monash University
VIC 3800**

You may also email your completed test to: lcl.enquiries@arts.monash.edu.au

Questionnaire

Your raw mark for VCE French (if you don't remember, give estimate):.....

Are you a full time or part-time student?

For what degree are you studying?

At which Monash campus are you enrolled?

If you are a Cross institutional credit student (from another university), where are you enrolled?

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Are you a Not for Credit Student (not enrolled for a degree)? Yes / No

The language level in which you think you should enrol:

Is English your first language? Yes/No

If No, what is?.....

Have you ever stayed in a French-speaking country? Yes /No

If so, where?

and for how long?

Have you ever done any other study in French besides high school or university when, where and for how long?

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Is there anything else you would like us to know?

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Diagnostic test

Write a 200 word composition on the topic overleaf (minimum 180 words, 220 words not to be exceeded).

Make sure you reserve 10 minutes to re-read what you have written and eliminate any mistakes you can correct by yourself such as spelling.

Do not forget to put accents. If you do not know how to type them, refer to the information below.

The following areas will be examined to assess your overall level of written proficiency:

1. Spelling and basic grammatical accuracy (accents, agreements of adjectives and verbs in number and/or gender)
2. Verb forms of tenses
3. Use of past and future tenses
4. Basic syntax (word order of simple clauses)
5. Complex syntax of sentences with subordinate clauses
6. Vocabulary

Topic: Expliquez pourquoi vous avez choisi de faire du français à l'université Monash et ce que vous aimeriez faire après vos études. Commencez par indiquer quand vous avez commencé à étudier le français, où vous l'avez fait et pendant combien de temps. Si vous avez eu l'occasion d'utiliser le français dans des situations authentiques (voyage dans un pays francophone, conversations avec des francophones), donnez des détails.

How to type French accents

There are three main ways of typing accents with an English keyboard:

1. You can use numerical codes as follows:

ACCENTS FRANÇAIS SUR CLAVIER ANGLAIS		
Press [Alt] and type in the following codes in the numerical part of the keyboard Use either a 3 digit code (removing the 0) or the 4 digit one.		
ALT + 133 à (0224)	ALT + 210 Ê (0202)	ALT + 151 ù (0249)
ALT + 131 â (0226)	ALT + 211 Ë (0203)	ALT + 235 Û (0217)
ALT + 183 Ä (0192)	ALT + 139 ï (0239)	ALT + 150 û (0251)
ALT + 182 Å (0194)	ALT + 216 İ (0207)	ALT + 234 Ü (0219)
ALT + 130 é (0233)	ALT + 140 î (0238)	ALT + 135 ç (0231)
ALT + 138 è (0232)	ALT + 215 Î (0206)	ALT + 128 Ç (0199)
ALT + 136 ê (0234)	ALT + 147 ô (0244)	ALT + 174 « (0171)
ALT + 137 ë (0235)	ALT + 226 Ô (0212)	ALT + 175 » (0187)
ALT + 144 É (0201)	ALT + 0156 œ	
ALT + 212 È (0200)	ALT + 0140 Œ	

2. You can use the letter keyboard, provided it is set as American, Australian or International English. The basic mechanism is to use the control button to activate a key followed by the letter you wish to put the accent on. In some cases, the mark needs to be activated by control + shift.

- é: type control + ' followed by e
- è: type `control + ` followed
- à: type `control + ` followed by a
- ï: type control+ shift+ i
- ô: type control+ shift + ^ followed by o
- ç: type control + , followed by c

3. If all else fails, you can use within Word the Insert symbol command (symbols, normal text).
