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GCSE French, German and Spanish (2024)
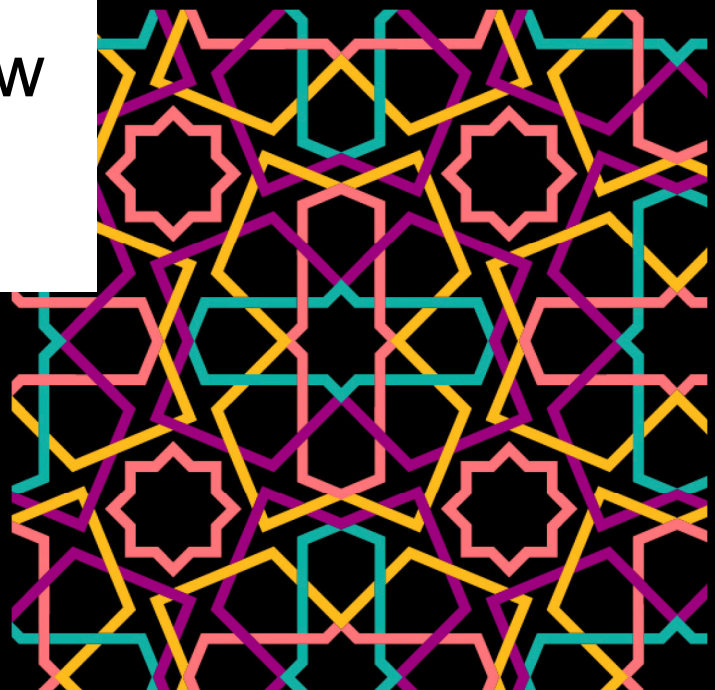
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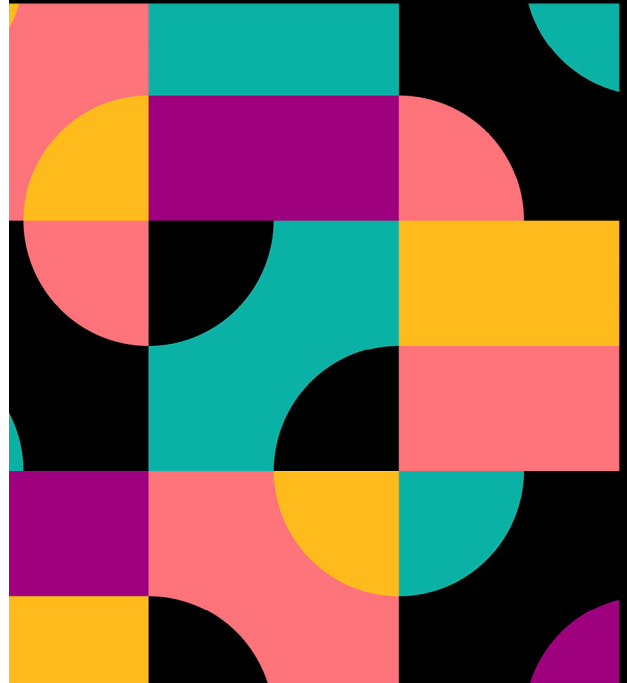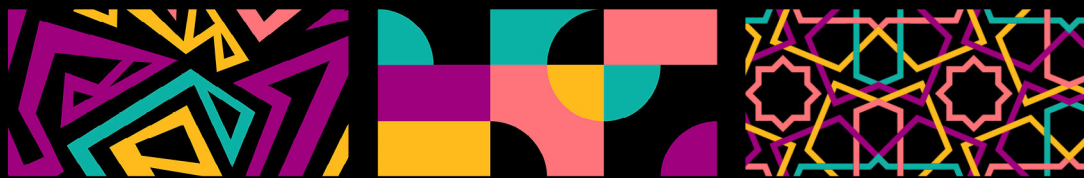
Assessment Objectives

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AO1	Understand and respond to spoken language in speaking and in writing	**35%**
AO2	Understand and respond to written language in speaking and in writing	**45%**
AO3	Demonstrate knowledge and accurate application of the grammar and vocabulary prescribed in the specification	**20%**

Unlike the GCSE 2016 assessment objectives, which could be mapped directly to each of the core skills and each of the four assessments, the new GCSE 2024 assessment objectives combine the core skills and how students 'understand and respond to spoken language' or 'written language' in two assessment objectives.

The third assessment objective focusses on knowledge of grammar and vocabulary, Previously GCSE 2016 assessment objectives did not have a separate assessment objective for this, but there was a requirement in the conditions for 10% of the qualifications' marks to be assigned to this aspect.

In this overview, we show you how we have assigned the assessment objectives across the assessments and tasks. We provide this in two formats:

- Breakdown by assessment objective
- Breakdown by Paper
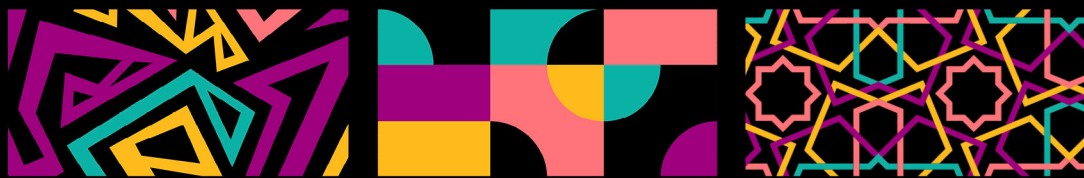
Breakdown by Assessment Objective

AO1, 35%	Where is this AO assessed?	No. of marks allocated
AO1: Understand and respond to spoken language in speech	**Paper 1 Speaking**	
	Read aloud follow up interaction	4
	Role Play	10
	Questions following picture description	4
	Picture card conversation	12
AO1: Understand and respond to spoken language in writing	**Paper 2 Listening**	
	All listening comprehension questions (excluding Dictation)	40
Total for AO1:		**70 marks, 35%**

AO2, 45%	Where is this AO assessed?	No. of marks allocated	
AO2: Understand and respond to written language in speaking	**Paper 1 Speaking**		
	Picture card description	4	
AO2: Understand and respond to written language in writing	**Paper 3 Reading**		
	All reading questions (including translation)	50	
	Paper 4 Writing		
	Foundation Tier Q1	8	
	Foundation Tier Q2	9	
	Foundation Tier Q3 / Higher Tier Q1	13	13
	Higher Tier Q2		17
	Translation (both tiers)	6	6
Total for AO2:		**90 marks, 45%**	

AO3, 20%	Where is this AO assessed?	No. of marks allocated	
Demonstrate knowledge and accurate application of the grammar and vocabulary prescribed in the specification	**Paper 1 Speaking**		
	Read aloud	8	
	Picture card description	4	
	Picture card conversation	4	
	Paper 2 Listening		
	Dictation	10	
	Paper 4 Writing		
	Foundation Tier Q2	5	
	Foundation Tier Q3/Higher Tier Q1	5	5
	Higher Tier Q2		5
	Translation (both tiers)	4	4
Total for AO3:		**40 marks, 20%**	

Total for qualification:	**200 marks, 100%**

Breakdown by Paper

Paper 1 Speaking	AO1	AO2	AO3
Read aloud			8
Read aloud follow on interaction	4		
Role Play	10		
Picture card description		4	4
Questions following picture description	4		
Picture card conversation	12		4
Total: 50 marks	30	4	16

Paper 2 Listening	AO1	AO2	AO3
Listening comprehension	40		
Dictation			10
Total: 50 marks	40	0	10

Paper 3 Reading	AO1	AO2	AO3
Reading comprehension		40	
Translation (both tiers)		10	
Total: 50 marks	0	50	0
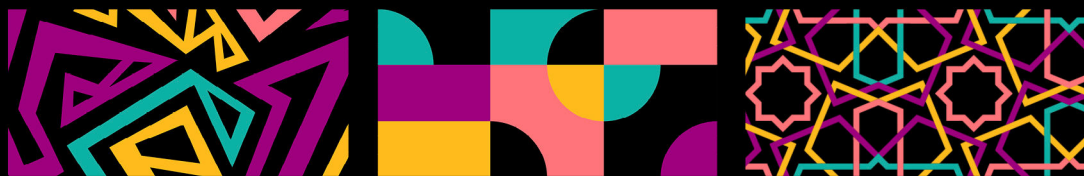
Paper 4 Writing	AO1	AO2		AO3	
		FT	HT	FT	HT
Foundation Tier Q1		8			
Foundation Tier Q2		9		5	
Foundation Tier Q3 / Higher Tier Q1		13	13	5	5
Higher Tier Q2			17		5
Translation (both tiers)		6	6	4	4
Total: 50 marks	**0**	**36**	**36**	**14**	**14**

	AO1	AO2	AO3
Total for qualification	**70**	**90**	**40**