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## Year 11 French and German Speaking Exams

Dear Parent/Carer,

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The French and German speaking exams will be taking place in the week commencing 29<sup>th</sup> April. Pupils have been provided their time slot, which has been recorded in their planner. If they are unsure of when their exam is, they should speak to their French/ German teacher as soon as possible. Pupils should go to the I-centre at their allocated time. The exam is made up of three parts:

**1) Role play** – pupils are placed in a scenario and are required to respond to and ask questions based on this scenario. For example, they may be in a restaurant, booking cinema tickets or talking to a friend.

**2) Photo task** – pupils are given a photo, and they need to describe it and are then asked four questions related to the photo. Pupils can see example cards here, which they can practise:

[French Speaking cards](#)

[German speaking cards](#)

**3) Conversation** - pupils complete a one-minute presentation in French/ German from memory. They are then asked questions based on this presentation and on another random topic.

### How can you help at home?

- **Ask your child** when their speaking exam is.
- **Practise their presentation.** Ask them to recite their presentation from memory, you could have it in front of you and prompt them if they get stuck.
- **Practise their follow up questions.** Using their speaking booklet, or follow up question sheets, ask them the questions they may be asked in the conversation part of the exam.
- **Little and often.** Encourage your child to practise a little bit of French/ German every day in the lead up to their exam. They are more likely to remember it doing it this way.
- **Encourage** your child to have an early night the day before their exam so they are feeling refreshed on the day.
- **Encourage them to seek support.** If they are struggling, please get them to speak to their teacher who will make time to help them.

Thank you for your support and if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

Yours sincerely

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