

NOTICE TO CENTRES

FAO: Exams Officers and Heads of Modern Foreign Languages

Date: November 2009

Subject: GCSE French, German and Spanish new specifications: J730, J731, J732

SPEAKING AND WRITING CONTROLLED ASSESSMENTS

SPEAKING UNITS A702, A712, A722

We are now able to provide further guidance regarding the Speaking controlled assessment tasks and how marks and candidate work will be submitted. There will be two tasks:

- **Task 1** – This will be recorded and moderated. The moderation samples can be submitted either via the OCR Repository or by Postal Moderation. The entry option you choose determines the method of submission.
- **Task 2** – This does not need to be recorded and only marks (rather than samples) need to be submitted. Any scaling calculated on the basis of performances of Task 1 will be applied on a pro-rata basis to Task 2.

Marks will need to be submitted for each task separately.

We enclose the revised pages of the *OCR Admin Guide and Entry Codes: 14–19 Qualifications*, which show the entry options.

WRITING UNITS A704, A714, A724

We would like to confirm that the Writing Units A704, A714, A724 will be **examined** (as shown on the enclosed pages of the *OCR Admin Guide and Entry Codes: 14–19 Qualifications*). Work should be posted to OCR examiners by 15 May using the address labels provided on the basis of your final entries.

All forms relating to the Speaking and Writing units for this specification can be found on the OCR website.

Any enquiry about this notice should be referred to the OCR Customer Contact Centre, 01223 553998, OCR, 1 Hills Road, Cambridge, CB1 2EU.

FRENCH (Unitised) (new for teaching from September 2009)		Availability		Max Uniform Mark
		January 2010 1A10	June 2010 6A10	
Entry Codes and Rules of Combination				
J730	GCSE French (Certification)	—	—	400
For a certificate candidates must have taken four units as follows:				
one from:				
Listening				
A701F	01 Foundation Tier	—	Q ^T	55
A701H	02 Higher Tier	—	Q ^T	80
and one from:				
Speaking				
A702A	◇ 01 Task 1 (OCR Repository)	—	R ^T	120
	03 Task 2	—	▲	
A702B	◇ 02 Task 1 (Postal Moderation)	—	PM ^T	120
	03 Task 2	—	▲	
and one from:				
Reading				
A703F	01 Foundation Tier	—	Q ^T	55
A703H	02 Higher Tier	—	Q ^T	80
and one from:				
A704	Writing	—	E	120
<p>Notes: ^T The Terminal Rule: at least two units must be taken in the same examination series as certification. It is not obligatory for candidates to enter for units A701 and A703 at the same tier.</p> <p>◇ Centres must choose how they wish to submit their speaking tests and then select the appropriate entry option. All speaking tests must be submitted using the same entry option.</p> <p>For Speaking Task 1, samples will be requested for moderation. For Speaking Task 2, only marks need to be submitted.</p> <p>From June 2010 all units are available in the June series only. From June 2011 certification J730 is available in the June series only.</p>				

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FRENCH; SPOKEN LANGUAGE (SHORT COURSE) (Unitised) (new for teaching from September 2009)		Availability		Max Uniform Mark
		January 2010 1A10	June 2010 6A10	
Entry Codes and Rules of Combination				
J030	GCSE (Short Course) French; Spoken Language (Certification)	—	!	200
For a certificate candidates must have taken two units as follows:				
one from:				
Listening				
A701F	01 Foundation Tier	—	Q ^T	55
A701H	02 Higher Tier	—	Q ^T	80
and one from:				
Speaking				
A702A	◇ 01 Task 1 (OCR Repository)	—	R ^T	120
	03 Task 2	—	▲	
A702B	◇ 02 Task 1 (Postal Moderation)	—	PM ^T	120
	03 Task 2	—	▲	
<p>Notes: ^T The Terminal Rule: at least one unit must be taken in the same examination series as certification.</p> <p>◇ Centres must choose how they wish to submit their speaking tests and then select the appropriate entry option. All speaking tests must be submitted using the same entry option.</p> <p>For Speaking Task 1, samples will be requested for moderation. For Speaking Task 2, only marks need to be submitted.</p> <p>From June 2010 both units and certification J030 are available in the June series only.</p>				

FRENCH; WRITTEN LANGUAGE (SHORT COURSE) (Unitised) (new for teaching from September 2009)		Availability		Max Uniform Mark
		January 2010 1A10	June 2010 6A10	
Entry Codes and Rules of Combination				
J130	GCSE (Short Course) French; Written Language (Certification)	—	!	200
For a certificate candidates must have taken two units as follows:				
one from:				
Reading				
A703F	01 Foundation Tier	—	Q ^T	55
A703H	02 Higher Tier	—	Q ^T	80
and one from:				
A704	Writing	—	E	120
<p>Notes: ^T The Terminal Rule: at least one unit must be taken in the same examination series as certification.</p> <p>From June 2010 both units and certification J130 are available in the June series only.</p>				

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Entry Codes and Rules of Combination				
J731	GCSE German (Certification)	—	—	400
For a certificate candidates must have taken four units as follows:				
one from:				
Listening				
A711F	01 Foundation Tier	—	Q ^T	55
A711H	02 Higher Tier	—	Q ^T	80
and one from:				
Speaking				
A712A	◇ 01 Task 1 (OCR Repository)	—	R ^T	120
	03 Task 2	—	▲	
A712B	◇ 02 Task 1 (Postal Moderation)	—	PM ^T	120
	03 Task 2	—	▲	
and one from:				
Reading				
A713F	01 Foundation Tier	—	Q ^T	55
A713H	02 Higher Tier	—	Q ^T	80
and one from:				
A714	Writing	—	E	120
<p>Notes: ^T The Terminal Rule: at least two units must be taken in the same examination series as certification.</p> <p>◇ Centres must choose how they wish to submit their speaking tests and then select the appropriate entry option. All speaking tests must be submitted using the same entry option.</p> <p>For Speaking Task 1, samples will be requested for moderation. For Speaking Task 2, only marks need to be submitted.</p> <p>It is not obligatory for candidates to enter for units A711 and A713 at the same tier.</p> <p>From June 2010 all units are available in the June series only. From June 2011 certification J731 is available in the June series only.</p>				

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		January 2010 1A10	June 2010 6A10	
Entry Codes and Rules of Combination				
J031	GCSE (Short Course) German; Spoken Language (Certification)	—	!	200
For a certificate candidates must have taken two units as follows:				
one from:				
Listening				
A711F	01 Foundation Tier	—	Q ^T	55
A711H	02 Higher Tier	—	Q ^T	80
and one from:				
Speaking				
A712A	◇ 01 Task 1 (OCR Repository)	—	R ^T	120
	03 Task 2	—	▲	
A712B	◇ 02 Task 1 (Postal Moderation)	—	PM ^T	120
	03 Task 2	—	▲	
Notes: ^T The Terminal Rule: at least one unit must be taken in the same examination series as certification. ◇ Centres must choose how they wish to submit their speaking tests and then select the appropriate entry option. All speaking tests must be submitted using the same entry option. For Speaking Task 1, samples will be requested for moderation. For Speaking Task 2, only marks need to be submitted. From June 2010 both units and certification J031 are available in the June series only.				

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Entry Codes and Rules of Combination				
J131	GCSE (Short Course) German; Written Language (Certification)	—	!	200
For a certificate candidates must have taken two units as follows:				
one from:				
Reading				
A713F	01 Foundation Tier	—	Q ^T	55
A713H	02 Higher Tier	—	Q ^T	80
and one from:				
A714	Writing	—	E	120
Notes: ^T The Terminal Rule: at least one unit must be taken in the same examination series as certification. From June 2010 both units and certification J131 are available in the June series only.				

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J732	GCSE Spanish (Certification)	—	—	400
For a certificate candidates must have taken four units as follows:				
one from:				
Listening				
A721F	01 Foundation Tier	—	Q ^T	55
A721H	02 Higher Tier	—	Q ^T	80
and one from:				
Speaking				
A722A	◇ 01 Task 1 (OCR Repository)	—	Ú ^T	120
	03 Task 2	—	▲	
A722B	◇ 02 Task 1 (Postal Moderation)	—	R ^T	120
	03 Task 2	—	▲	
and one from:				
Reading				
A723F	01 Foundation Tier	—	Q ^T	55
A723H	02 Higher Tier	—	Q ^T	80
and one from:				
A724	Writing	—	E ^T	120
<p>Notes: ^T The Terminal Rule: at least two units must be taken in the same examination series as certification.</p> <p>◇ Centres must choose how they wish to submit their speaking tests and then select the appropriate entry option. All speaking tests must be submitted using the same entry option.</p> <p>For Speaking Task 1, samples will be requested for moderation. For Speaking Task 2, only marks need to be submitted.</p> <p>From June 2010 all units are available in the June series only. From June 2011 certification J732 is available in the June series only.</p>				

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Entry Codes and Rules of Combination				
J032	GCSE (Short Course) Spanish; Spoken Language (Certification)	—	!	200
For a certificate candidates must have taken two units as follows:				
one from:				
Listening				
A721F	01 Foundation Tier	—	Q ^T	55
A721H	02 Higher Tier	—	Q ^T	80
and one from:				
Speaking				
A722A	◇ 01 Task 1 (OCR Repository)	—	R ^T	120
	03 Task 2	—	▲	
A722B	◇ 02 Task 1 (Postal Moderation)	—	R ^T	120
	03 Task 2	—	▲	
<p>Notes: ^T The Terminal Rule: at least one unit must be taken in the same examination series as certification.</p> <p>◇ Centres must choose how they wish to submit their speaking tests and then select the appropriate entry option. All speaking tests must be submitted using the same entry option.</p> <p>For Speaking Task 1, samples will be requested for moderation. For Speaking Task 2, only marks need to be submitted.</p> <p>From June 2010 both units and certification J032 are available in the June series only.</p>				

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Entry Codes and Rules of Combination				
J132	GCSE (Short Course) Spanish; Written Language (Certification)	—	!	200
For a certificate candidates must have taken two units as follows:				
one from:				
Reading				
A723F	01 Foundation Tier	—	Q ^T	55
A723H	02 Higher Tier	—	Q ^T	80
and one from:				
A724	Writing	—	E	120
<p>Notes: ^T The Terminal Rule: at least one unit must be taken in the same examination series as certification.</p> <p>From June 2010 both units and certification J132 are available in the June series only.</p>				

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