

IB French 4 Summer Assignment (For seniors)

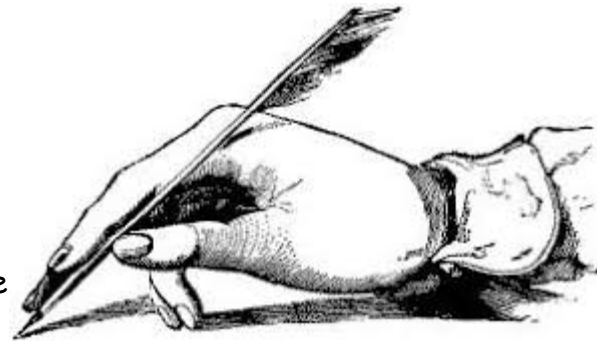
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In order to keep your French in good shape over the summer and to prepare you for a great IB course in the fall, here are two specific summer assignments. I look forward to reading and grading all of your hard-work in the fall.

Both assignments are very similar to two important parts of the IB exam you will take next Spring: a written paper in French and a spoken oral based on a picture. This will make up the first test grade of French 4.

A. Assignment One - Writing Assignment:

- Select 1 prompt from the previous IB exam (3rd page of this packet.)
- Select the most appropriate "type of text" from the 3 given for that prompt.
- Write 250-400 words.
- Feel free to make mistakes in your writing. You will not lose points for grammatical errors.
- Focus on organization and that you have discussed **every** aspect of the prompt. Use paragraphs.
- Use the "Mots Charnières" (p. 4). These help your writing.
- Please handwrite and skip lines.
- **Absolutely no use of google translate.**



B. Assignment Two - Oral Presentation

You will be expected to give an oral presentation on any picture of your choice while keeping professional and appropriate. You will create a story about the picture, factual or fictional. The picture may be from your summer vacation or something else you find important. Be creative and use the vocabulary from French class or elsewhere.

This is to be completed in French and be **3 minutes** or more long.

I expect you to use appropriate language, tone and idiomatic expressions. Your photo must be cited (i.e. url of the web site) if it is not your own.

When you present you must have the picture with you. The picture should serve as the main speaking point of your speech. You will be allowed to have an index card with bullets to help you, but no more than 20 words. The index card should serve as a quick reference to remember vocabulary terms or important facts. Make sure that you practice your presentation several times before the due date and that you are familiar and comfortable with your topic.

You will be graded on the following criteria.

25% Fluency (whether you have clearly practiced and prepared!)

25% Pronunciation/Grammar - Use more complex grammatical structures.

25% Engagement - you make the presentation interesting for viewers.

25% Preparedness and length of presentation.

C. Quiz - Les Mots Charnières - Because the connecting words on p. 4 are so important for writing and organization, there will be a quiz on these the first week of classes when we come back. Please memorize these.

Please keep in mind that these assignments will count as your first quarterly test grade. Any indication of translators or plagiarism will result in a 0 for the grade.

Assignments are due the first week of classes in September 2024. Every day after the assignment is late and you will lose **10** points off your grade. Any questions please contact me at jlanson@theproutschool.org

I hope you all get a 100!!!!

Have a great summer and see you in the fall.

A bientôt !

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Réalisez **une** des tâches suivantes. Utilisez, en fonction des propositions, le type de texte le plus approprié. Ecrivez entre 250 et 400 mots.

1. Vos parents vous interdisent maintenant d'utiliser votre téléphone portable pendant les repas familiaux et le soir après 21h00. Rédigez un texte pour expliquer à des jeunes qui sont peut-être dans la même situation pourquoi vos parents ont pris cette décision et pour exprimer vos sentiments à ce sujet.

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2. Vous êtes le représentant officiel des jeunes de votre ville. Il y a un an, la ville a réduit de 50% le budget destiné aux loisirs des jeunes. Dans un texte adressé au maire de la ville, décrivez les changements faits par la ville, ainsi que leurs conséquences sur les habitants, jeunes ou autres.

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3. Depuis quelque temps, pour varier vos loisirs, vous participez à des activités artistiques gratuites dans les rues de votre ville. Dans un texte destiné aux élèves de votre école, décrivez votre expérience et expliquez les avantages de ce genre d'activités.

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Mots charnières – Connecting words

Use these in your summer writing and memorize them. You will need to use expressions like this on the IB exam. Use them in your practice writing as well. IB looks for complex grammar and connected sentences. Using these will help you to get there !

Autrefois/Jadis/Auparavant = In the past

D'abord = First

Ensuite = Then

Puis = Next

Enfin = Finally

Récemment = Recently

En général = Usually

En ce qui concerne = As far as...is concerned

D'ailleurs (ou) Par ailleurs = Besides

Quant à (quant aux...) = As for

Néanmoins = Nevertheless

Cependant = Yet

En revanche = On the other hand

Toutefois = However

Sinon = Otherwise

Par contre (ou) Au contraire = On the contrary

Tandis que (ou) Alors que = Whereas

bien que = although

quoique = although

pourvu que = provided that

à moins que = unless

sans que = without

de crainte que = for fear that

de peur que = for fear that

de sorte que = so that

de façon que = so that

de manière que = so that

pour que = in order that

afin que = in order that

avant que = before

jusqu'à ce que = until

*Underlined transition words have advanced grammar built in!

En outre = Moreover

Parmi = Among

De plus = Furthermore

Entre autres = Among other things

Par-dessus tout = Among all things

En effet = Indeed

Etant donné que = Since

C'est pourquoi = That is why

Car/Parce que = Because

Donc (ou) Par conséquent = Therefore

Selon (moi)/D'après (moi) = According to (me)

A mon avis = In my opinion

Finalement = Finally

C'est la raison pour laquelle = That is why

En fin de compte = In the end

En résumé (ou) En conclusion (ou) Bref = In short

A l'avenir = In the future