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Pearson Edexcel Level 1/Level 2 GCSE (9–1)

Wednesday 20 May 2026

Morning (Time: 45 minutes, including 5 minutes' reading time)

Paper reference **1FR1/2F**

French

PAPER 2: Listening and understanding in French

Foundation Tier

You do not need any other materials.

Total Marks

Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **all** questions in Sections A and B.
- All questions in Section A (Listening comprehension) are set in English and must be answered in English.
- The task in Section B (Dictation) is set in French.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided – *there may be more space than you need.*
- You must **not** use a dictionary.

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- You have 5 minutes to read through the paper before the first extract starts.
- You may make notes during these 5 minutes.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets – *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Try to answer every question.
- Use the third play of the recording and/or the additional time given at the end of each extract to check your answers.

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Instructions

Section A: Listening comprehension

- You will hear each extract three times. Each extract will end with one, two or three beeps. There will be a pause between each question.
- You may write at any time during the test.

Section B: Dictation

- You will write in French what you hear in the spaces provided.
- The number of each sentence will be announced.
- You will hear each sentence three times. You may write at any time during the test. There will be a pause between each question.
- You will have 2 minutes to check your answers at the end of this section.

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Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

Some questions must be answered with a cross in a box ☒. If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box ☒ and then mark your new answer with a cross ☒.

SECTION A

Listening comprehension

Places to visit

1 Jules, Sarah and Thomas are talking about where they like to go during the holidays.

What do they say?

Listen to the recording and complete the sentences by putting a cross ☒ in the correct box for each question.

(a) Jules likes to go to the …

(1)

☒	**A** beach.
☒	**B** park.
☒	**C** forest.

(b) Sarah spends lots of time …

(1)

☒	**A** in the mountains.
☒	**B** at the coast.
☒	**C** in the countryside.

(c) Thomas prefers to visit …

(1)

☒	**A** villages.
☒	**B** cities.
☒	**C** castles.

(Total for Question 1 = 3 marks)

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Homework

2 Nadia is talking about her homework.

What subjects does she mention?

Listen to the recording and put a cross ☒ in each one of the **three** correct boxes.

☒	**A** maths
☒	**B** French
☒	**C** music
☒	**D** science
☒	**E** art
☒	**F** English

(Total for Question 2 = 3 marks)

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School sports

3 Ahmed is explaining about sports at his school in a podcast.

What does he say?

Complete the gap in each sentence using a word or phrase from the box below. There are more words/phrases than gaps.

at any time of day	in the mornings	in the afternoons	
tennis	football	basketball	handball

(a) You can go swimming ..... .

(1)

(b) You can join the team if you play ..... .

(1)

(c) His friends play ..... .

(1)

(Total for Question 3 = 3 marks)

Watching television

4 Ana is talking about television.

What does she mention?

Listen to the recording and put a cross ☒ in each one of the **three** correct boxes.

☒	**A** dramas
☒	**B** news
☒	**C** series
☒	**D** history programmes
☒	**E** comedies
☒	**F** horror films

(Total for Question 4 = 3 marks)

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Youth club

5 Listen to the announcement about a youth club.

What do you find out?

Listen to the recording and complete the sentences by putting a cross ☒ in the correct box for each question.

(a) The youth club takes place every …

(1)

☒	**A** Thursday.
☒	**B** Friday.
☒	**C** Saturday.

(b) The building has …

(1)

☒	**A** new tables and chairs.
☒	**B** an entrance for wheelchairs.
☒	**C** a special games room.

(c) You can …

(1)

☒	**A** listen to music.
☒	**B** play cards.
☒	**C** do exercise.

(d) The youth club is …

(1)

☒	**A** boring.
☒	**B** fun.
☒	**C** free.

(Total for Question 5 = 4 marks)

Using technology

6 Inès and Enzo are talking about how they use technology.

What do they say?

Listen to the recording and complete the following tables **in English**. You do not need to write in full sentences.

(a)

How Inès uses her tablet
.....

(1)

(b)

Who Enzo sends messages to
.....

(1)

(c)

One other activity he uses his phone for
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(1)

(Total for Question 6 = 3 marks)

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A family event

7 Zoé is talking about a family event.

What does she say?

Listen to the recording and complete the sentences by putting a cross ☒ in the correct box for each question.

(a) Zoé's mother …

(1)

☒	**A** is getting married.
☒	**B** has been married for two months.
☒	**C** has been married twice.

(b) The family are …

(1)

☒	**A** having a party at home.
☒	**B** going to a restaurant.
☒	**C** going shopping.

(c) Zoé's step-brother …

(1)

☒	**A** is vegan.
☒	**B** will bake a cake.
☒	**C** likes eggs.

(Total for Question 7 = 3 marks)

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Healthy habits

8 Listen to Alessandro's podcast about staying healthy whilst studying.

What does he say?

Complete the gap in each sentence using a word or phrase from the box below. There are more words/phrases than gaps.

40 minutes	60 minutes	2 hours	3 hours
does exercise	rests in the sunshine	sits in the garden	does hobbies
eats healthy foods	sleeps well	takes a day off	

(a) Alessandro takes breaks every ..... .

(1)

(b) He stands up every ..... .

(1)

(c) Outdoors, he ..... .

(1)

(d) For his mental health, he ..... .

(1)

(e) To give him energy, he ..... .

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(Total for Question 8 = 5 marks)

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A good career

9 Alex is talking about a career in medicine.

What does he say?

Listen to the recording and put a cross ☒ in each one of the **three** correct boxes.

☒	**A** You need good marks.
☒	**B** You can work abroad.
☒	**C** Work experience is necessary.
☒	**D** You have to be fit.
☒	**E** You need good listening skills.
☒	**F** You are well paid.

(Total for Question 9 = 3 marks)

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Getting around

10 Listen to Yanis, Camille and Lucie talking about how they get around.

What do they say?

Listen to the recording and complete the sentences by putting a cross ☒ in the correct box for each question.

(a) Yanis thinks cycling is …

(1)

☒	**A** safe.
☒	**B** slow.
☒	**C** tiring.

(b) Where Camille lives, public transport is …

(1)

☒	**A** expensive.
☒	**B** popular.
☒	**C** clean.

(c) Lucie … walks to school.

(1)

☒	**A** always
☒	**B** often
☒	**C** never

(d) It takes … to get to the shops.

(1)

☒	**A** 5 minutes
☒	**B** 15 minutes
☒	**C** 20 minutes

(Total for Question 10 = 4 marks)

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Talking about music

11 (a) Three young people are talking about music.

What does Sofiane say?

Listen to the recording and answer the following questions **in English**. You do not need to write in full sentences.

(i) Where did Sofiane go last year? Give one detail.

(1)

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(ii) What did he find exciting?

(1)

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(b) Now listen to Fatima and Théo.

What do they like and dislike about their musical experiences?

Listen to the recording and complete the following tables **in English**. You do not need to write in full sentences.

(i) Fatima …

likes (1 detail)	.....	**(1)**
dislikes (1 detail)	.....	**(1)**

(ii) Théo …

likes	.....	**(1)**
dislikes	.....	**(1)**

(Total for Question 11 = 6 marks)

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SECTION B

Dictation

12 You are going to hear someone talking about where they live.

Sentences 1, 2 and 3: Write down the missing words in the gaps provided. In each gap, you will write one word **in French**.

Example: Il habite dans un village .

1. J'habite dans une ..... en

   ..... .

2. J'ai une ..... au premier

   ..... .

3. Il y a un ..... et une ..... .

Sentences 4, 5 and 6: Write down the full sentences that you hear in the spaces provided, **in French**.

Example: Il habite dans un appartement .

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5 .....

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6 .....

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(Total for Question 12 = 10 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION B = 10 MARKS
TOTAL FOR PAPER = 50 MARKS

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