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FRENCH 1020
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French 1020 is the second level of four semester French courses. It is designed for students who completed French 1010, or have taken French at an equivalent level. This course cannot be taken simultaneously with any other French courses. All the French 1020 sections will accomplish the same course goals and objectives, and will follow the same set of rules and regulations as required by the University. This course is designed to develop in the student,

- the ability to cope with general conversation in French: asking and answering questions on topics of daily life (e.g. regular activities, job, etc.)
- the ability to extract meaning from authentic print and visual documents including video.
- the ability to write simple but coherent sentences in French with reasonable accuracy and to compose simple paragraphs that describe and that narrate
- knowledge of the basic structure of French, verb conjugations, use of the present and past tenses, pronouns, adjectives, agreement, etc.
- knowledge about France and the Francophone world and the ability to find out more information.

A student completing French 1020 with a C or better will be able to perform as stated in each of the following skills:

Listening: Understand basic information necessary to establish a conversation beyond the learned commands and courtesy phrases, e.g. ask for directions and information. Be familiar with short narrative/conversations within learned topics, such as family, food, and traveling

Speaking: Respond to general questions using complete sentences. Ask questions within familiar topics including questions words and tag questions. Give basic personal information about him/herself and others

Reading: Understand simple connected text where the context and cognates will help to make connections with the learned topic. Understand information beyond the basic knowledge of weather forecast, descriptions and a class schedule

Writing: Write short narratives (20-25 sentences) based on learned topics

Culture: Learn general information about countries in which the target language is spoken. Be familiar with cultural and societal facts about the countries studied.

The objectives above can be realized only through your active participation, both in and out of class. You are expected to do the following:

At home: prepare and practice for homework and do all assignments prior to class period. Review what is being practiced in class and do the activities related to each assignment.

In Class: Contribute actively to the activities being practiced.

In the language lab: check out tapes or CD to complete assignments from the workbook.

In the instructor's office: go during office hours or make appointments to get help with lessons studied in class; sign up for your oral practice.

Students are expected to attend class regularly and to prepare/ study outside of class. Unexcused absences will reduce the participation grade, and therefore affect the final grade. It is reasonable to expect to spend two hours outside of class for each hour spent in class; some students may need to spend additional time in order to achieve the grade they desire.

Required texts: Heilenman, Kaplan & Tournier. *Voilà! An Introduction to French* (5th ed.)

Heilenman, Kaplan & Tournier. *Voilà! Cahier d'activités écrites et orales*

Evaluation:

- 1) **3 Written Tests @ 15% each → 45 %** (each test is based on the content of 2 chapters in the textbook. A test is 50 minute-long and covers both chapters.). No makeup test without an approved medical excuse.
 - If you have to schedule a doctor's appointment during our class time, let me know in advance and bring me a signed note from your doctor after the appointment. Doctor's note alone (without prior notification of the appointment) cannot constitute an approved excuse.
 - In case of an emergency trip to the hospital, bring your physician's signed note within a week of your return to class.

Tests dates: All 3 tests are scheduled during regular class meeting time. Dates may change; in the event they change you will receive advance notice before the test.

NB: You may take **tutorial quizzes** before each scheduled test by going to: <http://faculty.tnstate.edu/ckonkobo/> then click on the QUIZ link.

Send the instructor an email of your completed quiz and you may earn 2 bonus points on your test grade for each chapter quiz you take (you may earn 4 bonus points total on your test grade). Note that you **must answer all the questions right** to earn these points (you will always have the possibility of going back to correct your mistakes before submitting the quiz). Send your completed tutorial quiz to ckonkobo@tnstate.edu

- 2) **Workbook → 10%**. Exercises are from the workbook: both *Cahier d'activités écrites* (Written exercises) and *Cahier d'activités orales* (Oral Exercises). THESE ARE 2 DIFFERENT SECTIONS IN THE SAME WORKBOOK. (A copy of the workbook is available on **Reserve at the University Library**)
You will need to listen to audio input *to complete the oral section of the workbook (you do not however need audio for the written section)*. To complete your oral exercises, you need to open your browser at <http://faculty.tnstate.edu/ckonkobo/>, click on "HOMEWORK AUDIO FILE" and follow the instructions.
You have the possibility of turning in you exercises any time before the deadline; for that reason, **absolutely no late homework will be accepted.**
- 3) **Homework + Quizzes → 10%** (There are regular homework assignments (check the table below) and unannounced oral or written quizzes. No makeup for homework or quiz. If you bring an approved medical excuse, the quiz can be dropped. YOUR HOMEWORK MUST BE TYPED. NO HANDWRITTEN ASSIGNMENT WILL BE ACCEPTED.
- 4) **Oral Exam → 10%** (Students will have a topic to prepare orally and make a 10-minute presentation in Dr. Konkobo's office. Each student will have 1 oral exam during the semester. Two weeks before each oral exam, you will receive a signup sheet along with details about the test. The oral exam is scheduled for Wednesday, November 7. If you miss your time, you will not be allowed to make the exam up.
- 5) **Participation → 5%** (daily preparation for activities + oral participation in class)
- 6) **Attendance → 5%** (Being physically present in class and read to participate in the learning process)
You will receive daily attendance grades (2.5 points) and daily participation grades (5 points). When you are absent, your participation grade will be zero. Two tardy equal one absence. If you are more than 5 minutes late, you will be recorded as absent. Leaving early without prior approval of the instructor will be recorded as an absence (get instructor's approval to leave early before class starts).
- 7) **Final exam → 15%** (This exam is cumulative; it covers all chapters studied this semester). This is a 50 minute exam. Check the University schedules of Final Exams to find out the date and time of your exam.

It is your responsibility in this class to make advanced arrangements to complete all assignments on time.

Grade Scale: 90-100 = A; 80-89 = B; 70-79 = C; 60-69 = D; 59 or below = F

DATE	Textbook page	Lesson covered	General Assignment	Assignment Due
Août				
WEEK 1				
lundi 27/ Mercredi 29	pp. 138-140 <u>Beginning</u> <u>Chapter 7</u>	- Revision (être, avoir, aller, -ER; questions) -L'arbre de famille	- Read pp. 138-140 and answer first dotted questions in each yellow box -Read p.144 & answer dotted questions	
vendredi 31	pp. 144-149	Vocabulaire	-Exercices 1-4 (pp-144-146) -Exercices 2, 3 ,5 (p.147)	Exercice 8 (p. 148): individual work DUE
Septembre				
WEEK 2				
Lundi 03		Congé	HOLIDAY	
Mercredi 05	pp.	Les verbes FAIRE & VOULOIR	- Exercices 1-2(pp. 150-151) & 1-3 (pp.152-153)	
Vendredi 07	pp. 154-156	Les Pronoms d'objet direct	- Exercices 1-5 (pp. 155-156)	Exercices 3 (p.151)& 4 (p.153) DUE
WEEK 3				
Lundi 10	pp. 157-158	Vocabulaire	-Exercices 1 & 2 (pp.157-158) -Read pp159-160 while listening to CD1, tracks 20, 21, 22	
Mercredi 12	pp. 162-164 <u>Beginning</u> <u>Chapter 8</u>	Vacances et loisirs	-Read pp. 162-164 -Answer dotted questions -Exercices 1 (pp.166-167) & 2-5 (pp.167-168)	Answer dotted questions (162-164) DUE
Vendredi 14	pp.162-170	Pouvoir/devoir/ Vocabulaire	Exercices1-4 (p. 173) & 1-5 (pp.169-170)	
WEEK 4				
Lundi 17	pp. 173-177	les pronoms interro.	Exercices 1-4 (pp.176-177)	
Mercredi 19	pp.174-177	les pronoms interrogatifs	1-4 (pp.176-177)	10Questions Ex 3 p.177 DUE
Vendredi 21	P. 178 + Online	Expressions pour dire non	- Exercices 1-5 (p.179) - Read pp. 182-184 while	

listening to CD1, tracks 23,24,25			
WEEK 5			
Lundi 24	EXAM REVIEW		Workbook chapt. 7 & 8 (written and oral exercises) Workbook due today
Mercredi 26	EXAM 1	Exam based on chapters 7 & 8	
Vendredi 28	FILM	SCREENING	Film Assignment handed out
Octobre			
WEEK 6			
Lundi 01	FILM	SCREENING	
Mercredi 03	Francophone culture	Practice	Film Essay DUE
Vendredi 05	pp. 186-190 <i>Beginning Chapter 9</i>	La nourriture et les repas	-Answer bulleted questions pp. 186-190 -Exercices 1-4 (pp. 191-192) & 1-2 (pp.192-193) Answer all questions in 1st bullet of each passage on pp.186-190 DUE TODAY
WEEK 7			
Lundi 08	pp. 195-201	Boire, prendre + l'article partitif	Exercices 1-2(p. 196); 1,2,4,5 (pp.197-198);
Mercredi 10	pp. 197-201 + Online	L'article partitif	Exercices 1,2,4,5 (pp.197-198); 1-3 (P.200) + ONLINE Exercices 3 & 5 p.198 DUE
Vendredi 12	p. 202	Vocabulaire	Ex. 2. a/b (p. 202) + Online Ex.
WEEK 8			
Lundi 15	Congé	(Fall break = Congés d'automne)	
mercredi 17	Online	Vocabulaire	-Read pp. 203-206 while listening to CD2, tracks 2,3,4
Vendredi 19	pp. 208-211 <i>Beginning chapt 10</i>	Parler des vêtements	Read pp. 208-211 Answer questions in first 6 bullets on p. 209. DUE
WEEK 9			
Lundi 22	pp. 213-215	Grammaire/ Vocabulaire	Exercices 1-4 (pp.213-214); 1,2,4 (p. 215)

Mercredi 24	pp. 217-219	Les verbes FINIR et METTRE	Exercice 1-3 (p.218); 1-3(p. 219)	
Vendredi 26	pp. 220-221	Le Passé composé avec Avoir	Exercice 1-3 (p. 221)	Ex 4 (p.219) DUE
WEEK 10				
Lundi 29	Online	Practice passé composé	-Read pp. 223-226 while listening to CD2, tracks 5,6, &7	Exercice 2 p. 221 DUE
Mercredi 31	EXAM REVIEW		Workbook chapt 9 & 10 (written and oral exercises)	
Novembre				
Vendredi 02	EXAM 2	Exam based on chapters 9 & 10		Workbook due today
WEEK 11				
Lundi 05	ORAL EXAM	PREP ORAL EXAM	PREP ORAL EXAM	
Mercredi 07	ORAL EXAM	ORAL EXAM	ORAL EXAM	
Vendredi 09	pp. 232-239 <i><u>Beginning Chapter 11</u></i>	Les résidences les chiffres au-dessus de 1000	Pratiquer (p.239) -1, 3, 5, (pp. 241-242); 1,2 (p.243)	Answer bulleted questions pp.232-239 DUE TODAY
WEEK 12				
Lundi 12	pp. 246-248	Pratiquer p. 243 + Le verbe vendre	Exercices 2, 3 (p.248)	
Mercredi 14	pp. 249 - 253	Le passé composé avec Être.	-Exercice 1-4 (pp. 250-251) ; 4 (p.253) Read pp. 255-258 while listening to CD2, tracks 8,9,10,11	
Vendredi 16	pp.260-265 <i><u>Begin. Ch. 12</u></i>		-Lecture en groupes	Exercice 4 p. 251 DUE
WEEK 13				
Lundi 19	pp. 270-273	L'Imparfait	Exercices 1-4 (pp. 272-273);	
Mercredi 21	pp. 425-428	Imparfait Vs. Passé Composé	Exercices 1-2 (p. 275)	Ex. 3 (p.276) DUE
Vendredi 23		Thanksgiving	Congés	
WEEK 14				
lundi 26	Online	Passé composé et Imparfait	Exercices pratiques	

Mercredi 28	pp. 277-279 + Online	Les pronoms QUI et QUE	Exercices 1-3 (pp.278-279)
Vendredi 30	EXAM REVIEW		COURSE EVALUATION
Décembre			
WEEK 15			
lundi 03	EXAM 3	Exam based on chapters 11 & 12	Workbook due today
Mercredi 05		<i>Last day of Class:</i>	REVIEW FOR FINAL EXAM: FINAL BASED ON CHAPT 7-12

Attendance Policy:

Attendance is mandatory. Disruptive behavior will result in your being asked to leave early, and your participation grade will be zero. This is a 3-credit hour course. University policy defines "excessive absences" as "one class in excess of the number of registered hours." Therefore, having more than four unexcused absences will result in a lower grade. For each unexcused absence beyond the fourth, the final grade will be lowered by one percentage point, for example, from 70 to 69. Bear in mind that even excused absences can make it harder to keep up in class. For those students with no absences or tardiness, the lowest daily participation grade is dropped.

PLAGIARISM AND CHEATING: plagiarism, cheating and other forms of academic dishonesty are prohibited. Students guilty of academic misconduct, either directly or indirectly through participation or assistance, are immediately responsible to the instructor of the class. In addition to any other disciplinary sanctions which may be imposed through the general institutional procedures as a result of the academic misconduct, the instructor has the authority to assign an F or a ZERO for the exercise or examination, or to assign an F in the course. If the student believes that he or she has been erroneously accused of academic misconduct, and if his or her final grade is affected as a result, the student may appeal the case through the appropriate institutional procedures. (First the instructor, if not satisfied, then the head of the Department of Languages, Literature, and Philosophy, then the Dean of Arts and Sciences, then the Vice President for Student Affairs).

ELECTRONIC DEVICES IN CLASS: The use of electronic devices like beepers, cellular phones, or radios is not allowed in class. Turn them off and put them away before you come to class. **Do not leave the classroom to use these devices during class. Cameras are not allowed in the classroom without the prior approval of the instructor.**

PER UNIVERSITY POLICY, NO FOOD OR DRINK IS ALLOWED IN CLASSROOMS. NO SLEEPING OR WORKING ON WORK FOR OTHER CLASSES DURING THIS CLASS.

You are expected to be respectful to all persons in the class at all times. Rude or disrespectful behavior will not be tolerated. Your instructor reserves the right to determine what is considered to be rude or disrespectful behavior.

Disability: The Department of Languages, Literature, and Philosophy in conjunction with the Office of Disabled Student Services, makes reasonable accommodations for qualified students with medically documented disabilities. If you need an accommodation, please contact Dan Steely of TSU's Disabled Student Services Office at 963-7400 (phone) or 9634-5051 (fax), preferably by the fourth day of class.