

# NCEA Level 2 French Vocabulary List

## Appendix for external assessment

### Texts for Achievement Standards

**91118** Demonstrate understanding of a variety of spoken French texts on familiar matters (2.1)

**91121** Demonstrate understanding of a variety of written and/or visual French text(s) on familiar matters (2.4)

These reflect the achievement objectives levels 7 and 8 for Learning Languages:

- Communicate information, ideas, and opinions through increasingly complex and varied texts.
- Understand texts which explore the views of others, and which develop and share personal perspectives.

Students will be expected to identify linguistic and cultural forms that guide interpretation of texts. This will involve understanding information, ideas and opinions through increasingly complex and varied texts.

Level 2 texts will be based on familiar matters, personal/community interest. This refers to regularly encountered information, ideas, and opinions that will be expressed in clear standard language. The texts will reflect the relationship between language and culture and be adapted as appropriate.

The standards can be accessed here: [www.nzqa.govt.nz/french](http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/french)

### Notes to teachers

Students are expected to be able to recognise:

- where a noun, adverb, or adjective can be constructed from the verb
- cognates and loan words
- word families
- the opposite of a word, e.g. égal, inégal.

### Note for internal assessments

This appendix applies only to language used for the two end-of-year reading and listening external assessments. The language which students will use to communicate in **internal** assessment activities and associated learning opportunities throughout the year will necessarily reflect the French teaching and learning that takes place within the context of each particular classroom and cannot and should not therefore be restricted to solely the language and useful expressions contained in this appendix.

A		
	à peu près	approximately
	à propos (de)	in regard to
	à travers	through
	abandonner	to abandon
l'	abus de (m)	the abuse of
	accompagner	to accompany
	accueillir	to welcome
	actuel/actuelle	current
	admettre	to admit
l'	ado(lescent)	teenager
s'	adresser à	to apply to, approach
	afficher	to display, to post (on a notice board)
s'	agir de (il s'agit de)	to be about
	ailleurs	elsewhere
	aimable	pleasant, likeable
	ainsi	thus, in this way
	ajouter	to add
l'	alcool (m)	alcohol
	alors que	whereas
l'	ambiance (f)	atmosphere
	améliorer	to improve
	amener	to take (things and people)
l'	amitié (f)	friendship
l'	amour (m)	love
	ancien	former, ancient
	annuler	to cancel
(s')	apercevoir	to get a glimpse of/to realise
	apporter	to bring a thing
	appuyer	to press
	arrêter (de)	to stop
	arriver à	to arrive at, to manage, succeed, complete
	assister à	to be present at
	attacher	to attach
	attirer	to attract
	aucun	not a single, not one
	autant de	as much as, as many as
	avancer	to go forward
	avant que/de	before doing something
l'	avantage (m)	advantage
l'	avenir (m)	future
l'	aventure (f)	adventure
	avertir	to warn
l'	avis (m)	opinion

<b>B</b>		
le	bac (baccalauréat)	baccalaureat
la	bande dessinée (B.D)	cartoon
la	banlieue	suburb
	bas (m) basse (f)	low
(se)	battre	to fight/beat
	bizarre	strange
	blessé	to injure
le	bonheur	happiness
	bouger	to move
le	boulot	job
	brûler	to burn
l'e	but	goal, purpose
<b>C</b>		
	cache	to hide
	calculer	to calculate
	capable	capable
	car	because
le	cas	case
	célèbre	famous
	cependant	however
	cesser	to stop
	chacun	each one
la	chaleur	warmth
la	chance	luck
	changer	to change
le	chef	head, chief, leader
le	chiffre	figure (numerical)
	choisir	to choose
le	chômage	unemployment
	choquer	to shock
	clair	light (colour), clear
	cliquer	to click
le	cœur	heart
la	colère	anger
	coller	to stick, paste
se	comporter	to behave
	compter	to count, to intend
le	conflit	conflict
	consacrer	to devote
	conseiller (à...de)	to advise
	consommer	to consume
	constater	to state
	construire	to build
	contacter	to contact
	contenir	to contain

	contraire	opposite
le	corps	body
	couramment	fluently
	couvrir	to cover
	crier	to shout
	critiquer	to criticise
	curieux	curious, strange
<b>D</b>		
se	débrouiller	to manage, cope
le	début	the beginning
	découvrir	to discover
le	défaut	flaw, fault
	défendre	to defend, forbid
le	défi	challenge
	définir	to define
la	demande	request, application
	démontrer	to demonstrate
	dépasser	to overtake
	déposer	to drop someone off, put down
	déprimé	depressed
	déranger	to disturb
le	détail	detail
se	détendre	to relax
	devenir	to become
la	différence	difference
	discuter	to discuss
se	disputer avec	to argue
le	dossier	document, file
	doué	gifted
la	douleur	pain, grief
	doux (m), douce (f)	gentle, soft, mild, sweet
la	drogue	drug
le	droit	right
	dur	hard
	durant	during
<b>E</b>		
	échouer	to fail
l'	effet (m)	effect
l'	effort (m)	effort
	égal	equal
	égoïste	selfish
	élever	to raise, to bring up
	emmener	to take (a person)
	empêcher	to prevent
l'	emploi (m)	use, job
	employer	to use
	emporter	to take away
	emprunter	to borrow

s'	en aller	to go away
	encourager	to encourage
s'	énervé	to get annoyed
	enlever	to take off, to remove
(s')	ennuyer	to annoy, bore, bother (to be bored)
	enseigner	to teach
s'	entendre avec	to get on with
	entier (m), entière (f)	entire
(s')	entraîner	to carry, take, train
	équilibré	balanced
l'	espèce (f)	type, species, kind
l'	étape (f)	step, stage
l'	état (m)	state
	étonner	to astonish, surprise
l'	étudiant (m), étudiante (f)	(tertiary) student
l'	événement (m)	event
	éviter	to avoid
s'	excuser	to excuse oneself
	exister	to exist
	expliquer	to explain
	exprimer	to express
s'	exprimer	to express oneself
<b>F</b>		
la	façon	way
la	faculté (fac)	university
le	fait	fact
	fier (m), fière (f)	proud
	foncé	dark (colour)
la	force	strength
la	forme	shape, fitness
la	foule	crowd
	frais (m) fraîche (f)	fresh, cool
	franc, franche	frank
	frapper	to hit, strike
la	frontière	border
	fumer	to smoke
<b>G</b>		
	gêner	to annoy, embarrass
	goûter	to taste
	grandir	to grow (up)
	gratuit	free
le	guide	guide
<b>H</b>		
l'	habitant (m), habitante (f)	inhabitant
s'	habituer (à)	to get used (to)
	hésiter	to hesitate
	honnête	honest
la	honte	shame

<b>I</b>		
l'	identité (f)	identity
l'	immigré (m) immigrée (f)	immigrant
l'	inconvenient (m)	disadvantage
	incroyable	unbelievable
l'	individu (m)	individual, person
(s')	inquiéter	to worry
(s')	inscrire	to register, to enrol
s'	installer	to settle in
	interdire	to forbid, prohibit
s'	intéresser (à)	to be interested (in)
<b>J</b>		
	jaloux (m), jalouse (f)	jealous
la	jeunesse	youth
<b>L</b>		
	laid	ugly
la	langue	tongue, language
	le lendemain	the next day
le/la	lecteur, lectrice	reader
la	lecture	reading
la	liberté	freedom
	libre	free
	licencier	to lay off, make redundant
	lier	to link
le	lieu	place
en	ligne	on line
le	logement	lodgings, accommodation
le	loisir	leisure
le	loyer	rent
le/la	lycéen, lycéenne	high school student
<b>M</b>		
	malgré	in spite of, despite
le	malheur	misfortune, bad luck
la	manière	manner
la	manière	manner, way
le	manque	lack
se	marier (avec)	to get married (to)
se	méfier (de)	to distrust, mistrust
	mélanger	to mix
	menacer	to threaten
	mener à	to lead to
le	mensonge	the lie
	mentir	to tell lies, lie
	mériter	to merit, deserve
	merveilleux (m) merveilleuse (f)	marvellous, wonderful
le	métier	profession, trade
la	mode	fashion
	moderne	modern

la	moitié	half
se	moquer de	to mock, make fun of, laugh at
le	mouvement	movement
le	moyen	means
<b>N</b>		
la	naissance	birth
	national	national
	nécessaire	necessary
	net, nette	clean, spotless, clear(idea), straight(answer)
	n'importe..	any
le	niveau	level
le	nombre	number
	nombreux (m) nombreuse (f)	numerous, large (family etc)
la	nourriture	food, nourishment
la	nouvelle	(piece of) news
<b>O</b>		
l'	objet (m)	object
	obligatoire	compulsory
	obtenir	obtain, get
l'	occasion (f)	opportunity
s'	occuper de	to deal with, apply oneself to
	organiser	to organise
	oser (de)	to dare (to)
<b>P</b>		
	paraître	to appear, become apparent
	pareil (m) pareille (f)	like, alike, similar
	parfait	perfect
	parmi	among
	partager	to share
la	partie	part
se	passer	to happen
	passionné	excited, keen on
	pendant que	while, during
	permettre (à ... de)	to allow
le	permis	the permit, licence
le	personnage	character
	pire	worse
se	plaindre	to complain
	plaire à	to please, like
	plaisanter	to joke
la	plupart	majority, greatest part, most
	plusieurs	several
	plutôt	rather
le	point	full stop, point
	populaire	popular
	poser	to ask, place
	pourtant	however

	pousser	to push
	prêt	ready
	prêter	to lend
	prévenir	to warn
	prévoir	to foresee, forecast, anticipate
	principal	main
	privé	private
	proche	close, near
le	produit	product
	profiter de	to make the most of
	profond	deep
le	progrès	progress
	promettre	to promise
	proposer	to suggest
	propre	clean, own
	protéger	to protect
la	publicité	advertising, publicity advertisement
	puisque	since, as, seeing that
<b>Q</b>		
la	qualité	quality
le	quartier	area, suburb
	quelque	some
	quelque part	somewhere
<b>R</b>		
	raconter	to tell
	raisonnable	sensible
	ramener	to bring back again
se	rappeler	to remember
le	rapport	relationship
	rappporter	to bring back, return
	réagir	to react
	reconnaitre	to recognise, acknowledge
la	règle	rule, ruler
	remarquer	to notice
	remercier	to thank
	rendre	to make, to give back
se	rendre compte de	to realise, understand
(se)	renseigner	to inform
	responsable	responsible
le	reste	the rest, what's left
le	résultat	result
	retenir	to hold back
(se)	réunir	to gather, meet
	rêver	to dream
	réviser	to study, revise
	rire	to laugh
	risquer	to risk



S		
le	salaire	salary
la	santé	health
	sauf	except
	sauver	to save, rescue
le	séjour	stay
	sembler	to seem
le	sens	sense, direction
	sensible	sensitive
le	sentiment	feeling
	séparer	to separate
	sérieux (m), sérieuse (f)	serious
	servir (à) (de)	to be useful, to be used as
	sévère	strict, severe
	simple	simple
	situer	to place, locate
	soigner	to care for
le	souci	care, concern
	souffrir	to suffer
	souhaiter	to wish
	sourire	to smile
	soutenir	to support
se	souvenir de	to remember
le	succès	success
	suffire	to suffice, be enough
	suggérer	to suggest
le	sujet	subject
	supporter	to put up with
	supprimer	to suppress, do away with
	sûr	sure, safe, secure
T		
	tant de	so much, so many
	taper	to type
le	tas	pile, heap
	télécharger	to download
	tellement	so, in such a way, to such a degree
	tenir (à)	to hold, intend, be keen on
	terminer	to terminate, end, finish
la	terre	earth, the world, ground, land
	tirer	to draw, pull
	tolérer	to tolerate
	traduire	to translate
	traiter	to treat, deal with
le	truc	thing
	tuer	to kill

<b>U</b>		
l'	usine (f)	factory
	utile	useful
	utiliser	to use
<b>V</b>		
la	valeur	worth, value
	valoir	to be worth
la	vérité	truth
	verser	to overturn, pour
la	vitesse	speed
	vivre	to live
la	voix	voice
	voler	to steal, fly
	vouloir dire	to mean

phrases and prepositional phrases		
	(au) - dessous (de)	underneath, below
	(au) - dessus (de)	on top of, above
	à mi temps	part time
	à partir de	from, as of
	à peine	scarcely
	à peu près	approximately
	à propos (de)	in regard to
	à travers	through
	au courant	up to date
	au fond	at the bottom, deep down
	au lieu de	instead of
	au moins	at least
en	avoir assez/marre	to have had enough/be fed up
	avoir l'intention de	to intend to
	bien entendu	of course
	c'est-à-dire	that's to say
	d'ailleurs	what's more, besides
	d'après	according to, after
	de nos jours	these days
	dès que	as soon as
	d'occasion	secondhand
	d'une part ... d'autre part	on the one hand ... the other hand
	en bas	below, downstairs
	en dehors de	outside
	en haut	above, upstairs
	envers	towards
	faire face à	to face (someone/thing), cope
	faute de	fault of, lack of
	grâce à	thanks to
	hors de	outside of
le	mode d'emploi	instructions (for use)
	par conséquent	as a result, consequently
	par exemple	for example
	par hasard	by chance, mistake
	par rapport à	in relation to
en	plein air	fresh, open air
	pour cent	percentage
	pour que	in order that
	quand même	even so
	quant à	as for
le	site web	web site
	sur le point de	about to do something
	tandis que	so long as, whereas, while
	tout à coup	suddenly