

Have fun while learning!

Course Activities

These classroom-based courses include a great diversity of learning techniques such as:

- Lecture/explanation
- Practice of skills
- Presentation (by student)
- Role-play
- Small group discussion
- Cooperative learning
- Discussion (whole class)

Formative evaluation is also provided as an ongoing way to help you keep track of where you are in your learning process, thereby helping you to see your progress!

Positive Learning Environment

The instructor's natural sensitivity gives her the ability always to create a respectful learning environment where any student will feel safe (safe enough to risk making a mistake), confident that they can learn and have fun learning.

A former student said:

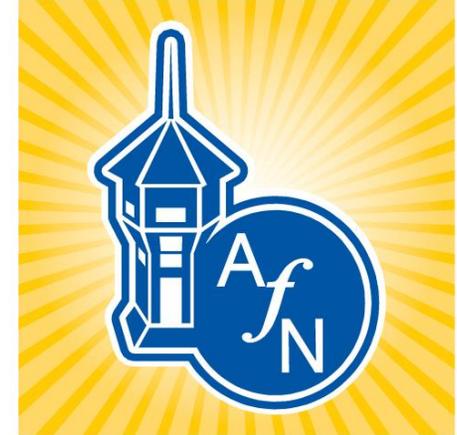
“the style of instruction was very enjoyable and non-threatening.”

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FRENCH COURSES

On-going Registration

Free Level Assessment

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Description of the Courses

Beginners 1, 2 and 3 Courses

These classes aim to develop the acquisition of elementary French, allowing you to develop all four skills: speaking, listening, reading and writing. Through practical situations, we will introduce you to the basics of the French language.

Part of the curriculum includes how to be polite, the use of the present tense, how to introduce yourself or others in detail, how to count, how to talk about time (time of day, date, etc.), how to describe. The objective of the Beginner 3 course is to practice what was learned in Beg 1 and 2 in realistic situations.

Intermediate Courses

You'll continue learning more grammar including other tenses. You will also learn how to express your feelings and which words to use depending on the purpose of the dialogue.

Advanced Conversations

In this level, you are considered able to speak French, even if you still make some mistakes. The topic of conversations will be chosen together. The atmosphere is relaxing and fun.

Perfect Learning Location

The classroom is in the office of the AFN. The students are surrounded by the AFN library books that they are welcome to borrow.

Documents in French as well as information about francophone community events in Nanaimo are available in the same room.



Who can sign up?

Any adult who wants to learn French is welcome to contact us and choose to register in any of the different levels offered.

Not sure at what level to sign up? A free assessment will help you choose the right level for you.

No prerequisites

You don't have to have studied any French in the past since the Beginner 1 course is designed for those who want to start from the beginning.

For those who have studied French already, the assessment of your level is based on what is learned in each course.

Course Text & Resources

The course material is provided by the instructor.

No textbook will be mandatory but it is recommended to have a dictionary and a book of verbs (Beshерelle).

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flow smoothly”
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Students from Advanced Level

Getting there Step by Step

The Course Purpose is to help you reach your own objectives in French.

Speaking French fluently is a pretty high objective that you won't reach in one course. This is why each level has an **attainable objective**. It goes from Basic Conversation (Beginner 1) to being fluent in French (Advanced Level).

Ask for the outcomes and the curriculum of the course you are going to attend.

Format

Each course is organized in eight lessons of an hour and half each every week.

The lessons take place either on a weekday evening or Saturday morning/early afternoon.

About the Instructor

The instructor, Isabelle Vilm, was born in France, where she has spent two thirds of her life before moving to Canada. She has been teaching for the AFN since she moved to the Nanaimo area 3 years ago. She used to teach for the Canadian government and the Alliance française in Victoria.