

# Modern Languages

# Professional Development

Supporting great teaching from 11–18



Interactive workshops delivered by  
experienced teachers and trainers

# Events to support great teaching

This guide provides an overview of our free and paid-for events designed to help you get the most out of our modern languages qualifications, services and support.

Our popular free face-to-face and online **GCSE Network** events in autumn and spring focus on key aspects of language teaching and assessment and give you the opportunity to network with other local schools. [See page 3](#).

**'Lots of practical activities which can be put into practice straight away.'**

Natalie, Liverpool

We also offer free online **New to Edexcel events** if you are switching to us from another awarding body or if you are new to teaching Pearson Edexcel language qualifications.

At these events you can discover more about our specification structure, content and assessments, and explore teaching and delivery strategies and our extensive free support. Online events are a great way to train the whole department: you can do this by simply projecting the session on to a whiteboard rather than placing multiple bookings. [See page 3](#).

## Our PD events count towards your CPD hours

Pearson has reviewed the format and content of all its training events to ensure that the security of its examinations cannot be compromised. Please note, in our events we are not able to discuss any centre or candidate-specific marking issues.

## Programme of Professional Development

Our **Professional Development** events include face-to-face and online interactive workshops delivered by experienced teachers and trainers, as well as live Q&A events in which we will aim to answer your questions on the reformed GCSE language qualifications.

### Key Stage 3

Building strong foundations at Key Stage 3. [See page 4](#).

### Pearson Edexcel GCSE (9–1)

Conducting the speaking exam [See page 4](#).

- French
- German
- Spanish
- Arabic, Chinese, Greek, Italian, Japanese, Russian and Urdu

Developing and maximising pupils' speaking and writing skills. [See page 4](#).

Developing and maximising pupils' listening and reading skills. [See page 4](#).

Mastering grammar and translation. [See page 5](#).

Mocks marking training. [See page 5](#).

- Chinese
- Italian

Live Q&A event - French, German and Spanish. [See page 5](#).

### Pearson Edexcel A level

Conducting the speaking exam. [See page 6](#).

- French
- German
- Spanish
- Chinese, Italian and Russian

Teaching and learning strategies for film and literature. [See page 6](#).

- French, German, Spanish, Chinese, Italian and Russian

### New to Edexcel events

These online events are designed for teachers who are switching to Pearson or delivering Pearson Edexcel GCSE specifications for the first time. They will support you in getting ready to teach our GCSE (9–1) French, German or Spanish qualifications.

Delegates will:

- consider the structure and content of the new specification, and explore possible teaching and delivery strategies
- explore the question papers and mark schemes for all four papers
- find out more about the support available
- have the opportunity to discuss best practice and share ideas with other teachers.

This event can count as 2 hours of CPD.

Free

### Pearson Edexcel GCSE MFL autumn and spring Network events

Our GCSE networks will give you the opportunity to share ideas and meet other teachers from your local area, as well as:

- consider key aspects of the GCSE assessments
- develop strategies for encouraging improved achievement in MFL GCSEs.

Our network events take place at schools in the following locations: **Birmingham, Dorset, Essex, Gosport, Ipswich, Kent, Liverpool, London, Manchester, Norwich, Somerset and Surrey**.

You can also book on to our online events if these locations don't suit you.

Free



‘Great variety of activities to use in my teaching.’

Sylvie, Essex

‘The resources were very useful and I will pass them on to colleagues.’

Julie, Birmingham

‘The trainer was clearly very well informed and had an effective presentation style. She was very realistic and supportive.’

Phil, Dorset

## **Building strong foundations at Key Stage 3**

This half-day workshop is designed for teachers who are looking to build strong foundations at Key Stage 3 in preparation for GCSE.

Delegates will:

- observe models of how translation and literary texts can be taught and exploited in the classroom
- work with colleagues to prepare translation activities and activities using literary texts
- learn new methods to help students use the target language more effectively in speech.

This event can count as 2.5 hours of CPD.

## **Developing and maximising pupils' listening and reading skills**

In our half-day workshop delegates will have the opportunity to explore strategies to meet students' needs and maximise their potential in:

- translation skills
- strategies and activities to support the GCSE listening paper
- strategies and activities to support the GCSE reading paper.

This event can count as 2.5 hours of CPD.

## **Developing and maximising pupils' speaking and writing skills**

In our half-day workshop delegates will have the opportunity to explore strategies to meet students' needs and maximise their potential in:

- translation skills
- strategies and activities to support the GCSE writing paper
- strategies and activities to support the GCSE speaking unit, with a focus on building pupil confidence and spontaneity.

This event can count as 2.5 hours of CPD.

## **Conducting the speaking exam**

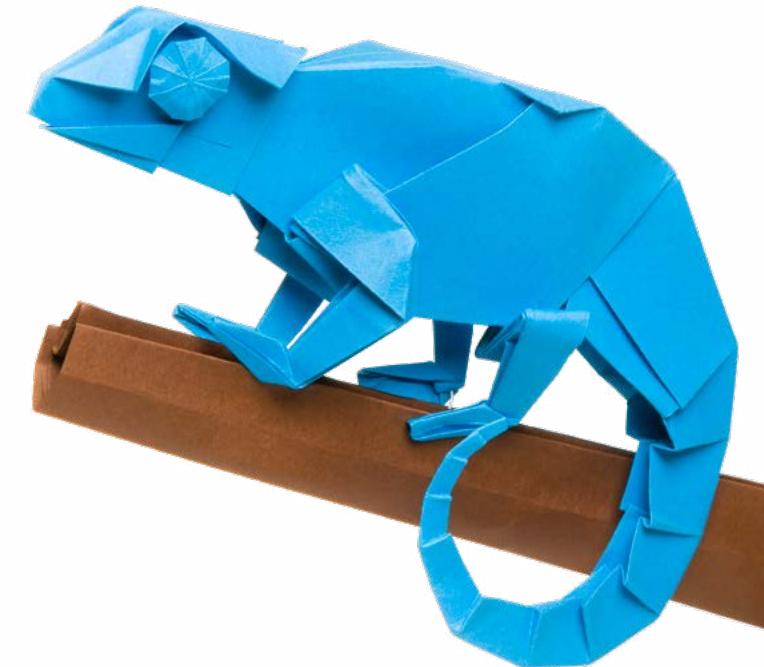
Our online event with a particular focus on speaking is available for French, German and Spanish, and as a generic event for the new Pearson Edexcel GCSE (9–1) languages in Arabic, Chinese, Greek, Italian, Japanese, Russian and Urdu (first teaching 2017).

Delegates will:

- review the speaking requirements in the 9–1 specifications
- explore the role of the teacher-examiner in conducting the speaking assessment
- understand the must and must nots when conducting speaking assessments
- discuss ways to encourage spontaneous speaking the oral
- listen to exemplars to understand good practice\*.

This event can count as 2 hours of CPD.

\*In French, German and Spanish events only.



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## Mastering grammar and translation

Our half-day workshop is designed to give you a range of practical strategies and activities to help students master grammar and translation. Strategies and activities will be exemplified in French, German and Spanish.

Delegates will:

- explore the importance of grammar, particularly in relation to translation
- consider the grammar structures students should be familiar with and able to recognise/use
- look at strategies and practical activities to support mastery of grammar
- look at strategies and practical activities to support translation.

This event can count as 2.5 hours of CPD

## Mocks marking

We are running both face-to-face and online training events for teachers who are delivering the new Pearson Edexcel GCSE (9–1) Chinese or Italian for first assessment in 2019.

During the event delegates will:

- understand the assessment requirements of the new specification
- explore the new types of questions within the papers
- review student responses to questions and understand how to accurately apply the mark scheme
- find out how we can support you and be able to ask questions and share good practice.

This event can count as 2.5 hours of CPD.

## Live Q&A event



Our free online event is a live question and answer session for teachers of Pearson Edexcel GCSE (9–1) French, German and Spanish in which we will aim to answer your questions on the reformed GCSE language qualifications.

All questions must be submitted in advance of this event (details of how to submit questions will be made available once you have booked). This event will be recorded and released via the Pearson Edexcel qualifications website.

This event can count as 2 hours of CPD.



## Teaching and learning strategies for film and literature

Our face-to-face and online events will support you in teaching Paper 2, Sections B and C of the Pearson Edexcel A level modern languages specifications and is suitable for teachers of French, German, Spanish, Chinese, Italian and Russian.

The workshop will include:

- teaching and learning strategies for film and literature
- an opportunity to discuss best practice.

This event can count as 2.5 hours of CPD

Free

## Conducting the speaking exam

Our free online events with a particular focus on the speaking element for the new Pearson Edexcel A level in French, German, Spanish, Chinese, Italian and Russian. The workshop will offer practical strategies that you can take back to the classroom and implement immediately.

Delegates will:

- review the speaking requirements in the specifications
- explore the role of the teacher-examiner in conducting the speaking assessment
- understand the must and must nots when conducting speaking assessments
- discuss ways to encourage spontaneous speaking within the oral
- listen to exemplars to understand good practice\*.

This event can count as 2 hours of CPD.

\*In French, German and Spanish events only.

**'I particularly liked hearing about new ideas and strategies for addressing issues and for skills learning.'**

Amy, Dorset



## Centre-based training

With centre-based training, you can choose any of our face-to-face or online training courses listed in our 2018/19 training programme to be delivered at your centre for a fee (which you could share with other schools in your area) before the end of August 2019.

We can arrange for one of our language specialist trainers to come and deliver full or half-day training in your school at a time that's convenient for you and your colleagues.

## Pre-recorded training

You've told us that it's not always possible to get out of school to attend training. To ensure we can continue supporting you, we've adapted some of our high-quality, face-to-face and online training materials to produce our new pre-recorded training.

These pre-recorded training videos for GCSE and A level have been developed to support you in the delivery, assessment and post-examination. They can be watched at a time that suits you, shared with colleagues and revisited when needed.

Each pre-recorded event can count as 1 hour of CPD.

Free

## Coming soon

Our programme of spring GCSE Network events.

Look out for the dates at: [quals.pearson.com/mflgcsep](https://quals.pearson.com/mflgcsep)

## How to book

Our paid-for and free events are available to book online:

- for GCSE events: [quals.pearson.com/mflgcsep](https://quals.pearson.com/mflgcsep)
- for A level events: [quals.pearson.com/mflalevelpd](https://quals.pearson.com/mflalevelpd)
- for centre-based training: [quals.pearson.com/inschooltrainingmfl](https://quals.pearson.com/inschooltrainingmfl)
- for pre-recorded training: [quals.pearson.com/prerecordmfl](https://quals.pearson.com/prerecordmfl)

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