

Bonjour à tous,

Your AP French "summer work" is internet/e-mail based:

- **Send me an e-mail today – with your name and AP in the subject line** – then grab a book/workbook from the red table in Room 100. Please sign both books out and be sure they are the same number – fat workbook number and orange textbook number.
- **Send me an e-mail in French (before the end of June)** that catches me up on *you* – what are you doing this summer, what worked for you in French this year and over the years, how hard are you willing to work in AP next year?
- **Find a minimum of two things on the interwebs in French that interest you, one in July and one in August:** I recommend using the sites below. E-mail me the link as well as your thoughts and reactions – in French of course. Feel free to do more than the minimum – I'll try to keep up :-)
- **Think about which theme(s) interest(s) you the most. Bring something for the first week of school that we can all share.** Nothing too long; it can be music, film, maybe an article – anything that interests you that ties into a theme. Maybe you especially like one of the activities from the workbook or the websites – lyricstraining, BBC, and TV5 have excellent interactive components.

In addition to "doing the summer work assignment" (interwebs and e-mails) you all need to be **listening to French, watching films/shows in French, talking to each other in French, and reading French.** Don't worry about grammar, syntax, or even total comprehension. It's about exposure - find what you like and explore – soak up new vocabulary. Check out a website (see below), watch the news, read an article, listen to a song, fill in lyrics, play a game - do something that exposes you to sound, visuals and words. (Watch American movies that you've seen a million times with French audio and/or subtitles instead of the English – see how/what they do for translations! Do you agree?)

Les sites web & les audios - quelques *exemples*:

Lyrics Training (fill in lyrics): <http://lyricstraining.com/>

BBC Languages: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/french/>

France Amérique: <http://www.france-amerique.com/>

Le Monde: <http://www.lemonde.fr/>

Le Figaro: <http://www.lefigaro.fr/>

TV5: <http://www.tv5monde.com/>

(Apprendre, musique, jeux...tout!)

Radio France Internationale: <http://www.rfi.fr/>

Radio France Internationale (pour apprendre):

http://www1.rfi.fr/lffr/statiques/accueil_apprendre.asp

1Jour1actu - ("Les nouvelles" pour les enfants francophones) <http://1jour1actu.com>

Les livres...

« Le gros » **AP French** (gros et « workbook-like », n'écrivez pas dedans) restera chez toi, lisez-le regardez-le, trouvez quelque chose qui t'intéresse

« L'orange » – **Allons au delà** – c'est notre texte – lisez les "introductions" pour chaque thème.

AP Français, Langue et Culture, les six thèmes – I will be sending vocab lists in first e-mail:

1) Les défis mondiaux

3) La vie contemporaine

5) La Quête de soi

2) La science et la technologie

4) La famille et la communauté

6) L'esthétique

"On the exam students are expected to complete five tasks":

1) "Engage in spoken interpersonal communication" – Conversation.

2) "Engage in written interpersonal communication" – E-mail.

3) "Synthesize information from a variety of authentic audio, visual, and audiovisual resources" & "Synthesize information from a variety of authentic written and print resources" – Multiple-choice questions

4) "Plan, produce, and present spoken presentational communications" – Speaking 2 minutes on a topic

5) "Plan and produce written presentational communications" – Essay on a topic using readings, images, and audio.

Course content: lots of practice - centered on tasks & themes (grammar work *as needed only*).