

Self-assessment grid (Based on the Common European Framework of Reference) for French, German, Italian and Spanish
Loughborough University Language Centre – Evening Classes

NB: This grid does not apply in the same way for **Arabic, Japanese, Mandarin Chinese** or **Russian** as learners will also acquire skills in calligraphy in those languages. Please contact us directly if you need advice: languages@lboro.ac.uk. If after looking through this grid you are still not sure what class you should join, you can attend a free taster session in the week before classes start. If your level is A0 (no experience) or below A1: join Level 1 (Beginner).

	If you have reached CEFR A1 level, you can already...	If you have reached CEFR A2 level, you can...	If you have achieved CEFR B1 level, you can already...
Listening	I can recognise familiar words and very basic phrases concerning myself, my family and immediate concrete surroundings when people speak slowly and clearly.	I can understand phrases and the highest frequency vocabulary related to areas of most immediate personal relevance (e.g. very basic personal and family information, shopping, local area, employment). I can catch the main point in short, clear, simple messages and announcements.	I can understand the main points of clear standard speech on familiar matters regularly encountered in work, school, leisure, etc. I can understand the main point of many radio or TV programmes on current affairs or topics of personal or professional interest when the delivery is relatively slow and clear.
Reading	I can understand familiar names, words and very simple sentences, for example on notices and posters or in catalogues.	I can read very short, simple texts. I can find specific, predictable information in simple everyday material such as advertisements, prospectuses, menus and timetables and I can understand short simple personal letters.	I can understand texts that consist mainly of high frequency everyday or job-related language. I can understand the description of events, feelings and wishes in personal letters.
Spoken Production	I can use simple phrases and sentences to describe where I live and people I know.	I can use a series of phrases and sentences to describe in simple terms my family and other people, living conditions, my educational background and my present or most recent job.	I can connect phrases in a simple way in order to describe experiences and events, my dreams, hopes and ambitions. I can briefly give reasons and explanations for opinions and plans. I can narrate a story or relate the plot of a book or film and describe my reactions.
Which Loughborough University Evening Class?	Join level 2 (Post-Beginner)	Join Level 3 (Lower intermediate) if you feel you are at the lower end of the scale, and Level 4 (Upper intermediate) if you feel comfortable ticking all these boxes.	Join Level 5 (Advanced) . If Level 6 (Proficient) is available, this group is usually quite comfortable holding a conversation on a range of more complex topics.