

AS/A Level Dutch

(Available for teaching from September 2008)

This specification develops an interest in, and enthusiasm for language learning. It helps candidates further develop the skills of listening, reading and writing at a level beyond GCSE. They learn about the culture of countries where Dutch is spoken and become able to communicate with people in these countries.



What are the benefits to me and my students of delivering this OCR specification?

- This specification builds on best practice at GCSE and provides interesting and meaningful assessment.
- The specification aims to provide a coherent course of study for all students as well as a good basis for further study of languages at higher education.
- There is a new element to this qualification: listening features in both AS and A level and gives candidates an opportunity to demonstrate their ability in this skill.
- Topics for study have been streamlined and it is no longer a requirement to specifically assess knowledge of target language country/community.

AS Level

| Unit title | Description | Mandatory/Optional? |
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| Listening, Reading and Writing 1 | Topics include aspects of daily life, leisure and entertainment, communication and media, education and training. Activities are listening, reading, writing and responding in Dutch/English. | Mandatory |

A2 Level

| Unit title | Description | Mandatory/Optional? |
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| Listening, Reading and Writing 2 | Topics include society, the environment, science and technology, culture. Activities are listening, reading, writing and responding in Dutch/English. | Mandatory |

How is this qualification assessed?

All units are externally-assessed.

Examination series are available every June.

Dates of first examinations

AS

First examination available from June 2009.

A2

First examination available from June 2010.

What support will I receive?

Training

A series of INSET events will be run annually to support this specification.

Resources

The following resources will be downloadable from the OCR website – www.ocr.org.uk.

- Updated resource lists in the new specification
- Overviews of possible teaching programmes for both the AS and A level
- Specimen Assessment Material for both units.

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