# **ALTEC FRENCH**

## French Beginning I

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## INTRODUCTION & LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Welcome to French Beginning I!

In this class, you will develop skills for communicating in French. This is an interactive class, where we use the language to explore meaning and talk about a variety of topics, from greetings to making plans.

We also aim to build intercultural competence by critically examining our own perspectives and comparing them to those of others.

#### **Level Description**

Beginning I assumes no prior knowledge of the language. Opportunities will be provided for students to acquire novice-level skills in listening, speaking, reading and writing. Students will learn how to apply a limited number of words, phrases and grammatical structures to complete real-life tasks such as introducing themselves, asking and answering simple questions, saying how they feel, etc., with errors to be expected.

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#### **Course Structure**

Each week you will engage in two live class sessions (either inperson, or remotely via Zoom) with the instructor and other students. This class time will be structured with interactive conversation activities and games.

#### How to get the most out of this class

One of the ALTEC advantages is affordability. Students are not required to purchase materials. Instead, instructors provide a variety of resources, including learning guides, online and/or open-source curricula, and multi-modal language resources. This is integral to our program, as our classes are customized to meet our students' unique learning needs. Many of these resources are linked to the right and you will have access to a number of additional materials in Canvas.

We recognize that each student has their own learning style and language-learning goals. So, you might think about the collection of materials provided by your instructor as a sort of buffet—use what works best for you to meet your own particular learning goals.

#### **MATERIALS**

#### Quizlet

You can use this site/app for vocabulary study.

#### OER

This is a cost-free, interactive curriculum for first-year Frenchlanguage learning.

#### FrenchPod101

This YouTube series offers audio and video lessons.

#### Canvas

Here you will find extra grammar materials, practice quizzes (optional), discussion pages, etc.

#### Grammar

Students can find grammar resources and practice exercises here.





week	communicative goals	vocabulary	practice exercises
1	Greet someone and say goodbye  Ask how someone is and how old they are  Introduce someone  Ask about things in a classroom  Give classroom commands and ask the teacher something	Greetings  Numbers 0-30  Classroom objects and expressions  Accents and special characters	Greetings  Numbers 1-30  Avoir
2	Ask how words are spelled  Ask for and give e-mail addresses		<u>Objects</u>
3	Ask about likes or dislikes  Agree and disagree  Ask how often you do an activity	Likes and dislikes	Les articles definis  Les verbes "ER"
4	Ask how well you do an activity and talk about preferences  Ask about and describe people	Leisure activities	Les sports  Contractions avec à



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5	Ask for and give opinions  Identify family members  Ask about one's family	Physical description and personality traits Family and pets	Describe people  Être  La famille
6	Ask about classes  Ask for and give an opinion	School subjects  Days of the week  Time	Les cours  Les jours de la semaine  Les adjectifs ordinaux
7	Ask others what they need and tell what you need Inquire about and buy something Ask about interests	School supplies  Colors and numbers 31-201  Sports and activities	Les verbes qui changent de racine
8	Ask how often someone does an activity  Extend, accept, and refuse an invitation  Make plans	Seasons and months of the year  Places in town  Weather	Les saisons et les directions  Le temps  La ville

### **CLASS EXPECTATIONS**

Students and faculty are responsible for maintaining an appropriate learning environment in all instructional settings, whether in person, remote or online. ALTEC celebrates and welcomes students from all walks of life. We strive to make our virtual and in-person classes an inclusive and safe space for all regardless of age, gender, race, ethnicity, religion, national origin, disability, and veteran status. We welcome all aspects of people and celebrate and honor diversity.

CU Boulder recognizes that students' legal information doesn't always align with how they identify. Let your instructor know if you have a preferred name and pronouns.

#### **Netiquette (Net-Etiquette)**

If a breakout room conversation or situation becomes uncomfortable for you, you are welcome to leave and return to the main room. Remember that we have a wide variety of people in our language class who may come from very different backgrounds and lived experiences than you. Let's keep this in mind in our class and breakout room conversations. If you choose to leave a breakout room, please notify your instructor so they can address the issue in a way that is respectful to you and the other learners.

#### **Accommodations for Disabilities**

The University of Colorado is committed to providing universal access to all of our classes and events. For disability accommodations (e.g., sign language interpreters, alternative formats) please <u>register with Disability Services</u> by first submitting an <u>Application for Accommodations</u> as soon as possible. Advance notice is necessary to arrange for some accessibility needs.

