

## AP French Summer Assignments

It is important that you maintain some contact with French during the summer. During the coming school year, you will be immersed into communication while sharpening your listening, speaking, writing and reading skills. The goals of the AP course as outlined by the College Board are:

1. to develop the ability to understand spoken French in various contexts;
2. to develop a French vocabulary sufficient for reading newspaper and magazine articles, literary texts, and other non-technical writings without dependence on a dictionary; and
3. to develop the ability to express oneself in French, both orally and in writing, coherently, resourcefully and with reasonable fluency and accuracy.

### Assignments:

1. Visit the college board website: [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org). Please read through the description of the test before we start in August.
2. In a good notebook, record two weeks of journal entries. Talk about various activities, feelings, events, etc. Be creative, use some new vocabulary words and vary your sentence structures: (for exemple: le subjonctif, présent, passé composé, si sentences with le conditionnel).
3. Go to the site [www.tv5.org](http://www.tv5.org), watch two programs of "7 Jours Sur La Planete", read the transcription, and do the intermediary and advanced exercises (print out a copy to give to me) **OR** Read 2 newspaper or magazine articles. Please give me a copy of the article with new words highlighted. Make a vocabulary list for each article + the definitions in your notebook. Also, write a good resume telling the main points of the article. (Dans cet article, il s'agit de ....)
4. Listen to French songs on youtube. (The songs by Garou, Céline Dion, and Patrick Bruel are excellent.)

\*\*Some sites for you to visit:

[www.24heures.ch](http://www.24heures.ch) is a Swiss newspaper. It has political cartoons which usually give a link to at least one current event article.

<http://www.parismatch.com> this magazine is a cross between People and Life. The articles online are filled with pictures and videos, and these should help you to follow the meaning.

[www.phosphore.com](http://www.phosphore.com) is a magazine designed for "les ados".

<http://www.letour.fr> is the official site for the Tour de France, with lots of news each day, as well as historical information and links to other cycling events. The Tour de France takes place in July.