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## **Parlons français**

## **A competition for students of AH French**

Our competition is now five years old and is going from strength to strength. We are delighted that our support from Total will allow us to give prizes and gifts once again.

“It must be the easiest competition ever to take part in!” That’s a quote and it’s true!

All we need is a short recording of students as they prepare for their speaking test. We will assess it and give everyone some feedback. We also award prizes and certificates.

We hope that taking part supports your pupils’ learning and exam preparation and is not a distraction. They are practising anyway – why not let them get some feedback on that?

Once again we will have prizes for the best entries and a gift for each school taking part too. Last year all schools were given a DVD of a French film. Total will also arrange for the winning school to take a class to the French Film Festival.

## **How do we enter?**

### **Short answer**

Just send in a labelled recording of the pupil practice assessment. Digital is best and send it by email if you can. We can accept cassettes too if you’re still using old stock!

Entries should be sent to

AMOPA Competition  
Alliance Française  
3 Park Circus  
G3 6AX Glasgow

Or by email to

[gerry.toner@outlook.com](mailto:gerry.toner@outlook.com)

### **Slightly longer answer**

Entries for the competition should be based either on the student’s Unit Assessment or on their preparation for that assessment. Entries consist of an audio tape or digital audio/video recording of part of the assessment or a preparation session. Digital entries are much preferred and are probably easier all round, try letting students use their own mobile phone. The entry can be from 2 to 5 minutes long and will consist of either

- A formal presentation on a suitable topic (likely to be shorter)
- or**
- A discussion with their teacher in which the teacher input consists only of very short prompts, questions or responses (which could result in a longer response).

## **Judging**

The entries will be assessed by a panel including SQA assessors and members of AMOPA – Ecosse. The panel will include native speakers. Entries will be awarded a graded certificate and an overall winner will be selected. The overall winner will receive a prize to be awarded at a suitable time in school.

All students will be given feedback.

The deadline for entries is February 15th 2016. Feedback will be sent promptly to schools. Prizewinners will be announced in early March.

## **The rules**

- Entries will be sent in by the class teacher who will ensure that the recording was made in exam conditions.
- All entries must be labelled with the entrant's name and school.
- Entries can be on audio tape or file; or on digital audio/video in a suitable format.
- Entries can be from 2 to 5 minutes long.
- Deadline for entries is 15 February 2016
- Entries will not be returned

Enquiries can be made to Gerry Toner by email or on 077 53 835 118

## **Note**

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