

# GCSE MFL and Controlled Assessment: Practical Guidance from Examiners

## Synopsis

Changes in assessment requirements have brought new demands for MFL departments. Teachers of GCSE French, German and Spanish are at the forefront of ensuring that all controlled assessment is carried out in line with JCQ and awarding body guidelines whilst at the same time enhancing the language learning experience for their students. It is critical that teachers understand fully the requirements and expectations of the different awarding body specifications in order to maximise the performance of their students

This one day conference brings together senior examiners from the major awarding bodies who will offer guidance on assessment requirements as well as practical strategies to maximise student performance in GCSE MFL.

### Inputs will include:

- Successfully Managing Controlled Assessment in MFL: Practical Guidance for Speaking
- Successfully Managing Controlled Assessment in MFL: Practical Guidance for Writing
- JCQ Requirements and GCSE MFL: Your Role in the Process
- Feedback from the First Session of Controlled Assessment
- GCSE German Speaking: Getting it Right from Task to Result
- Maximising Performance on the French Writing Paper
- Selecting, Setting & Adapting GCSE Spanish Tasks for Your Students

## Who should attend?

**Heads of MFL and Teachers of GCSE French, German and Spanish**



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## About the Speakers

### Seminar A

**Janet Searle** has been an examiner for a major awarding body for over 20 years. She is currently Principal Moderator for the Controlled Assessment in speaking for the new GCSE in German as well as Chief Examiner for GCE German and Principal Examiner for iGCSE German. She is a recognised author of educational texts for KS4 and 5 and a regular trainer on topics related to assessment and examining. As well as her awarding body roles, Janet teaches German and French part-time in a 11-18 secondary school.

### Seminar B

**Peter Davies** has been a Senior Examiner for French since 1984 and is currently Principal Examiner for French Writing for a major awarding body. He is also an examiner for GCE French and examiner and moderator for iGCSE French writing and speaking. He is the author of 'Concentrate on French Writing'.

### Seminar C

**Karen Sherwood** has been an examiner for MFL since 1992 and is currently examining and moderating Spanish with a number of major awarding bodies for A Level, GCSE, FCSE and Entry Level. She is a senior examiner for a number of specifications for GCSE Spanish and Entry Level and an Awarding committee member for GCSE Spanish with one of the major awarding bodies. Karen has been a member of a Question Paper Executive Committee for GCSE Spanish and, this year, is a Controlled Assessment Adviser for GCSE Spanish for one of the major awarding bodies.

## Programme

9.30	Coffee and Registration
10.00	Introduction to the Conference
10.05	Successfully Managing Controlled Assessment in MFL: Practical Guidance for Speaking <i>Janet Searle and Karen Sherwood</i>
10.45	Successfully Managing Controlled Assessment in MFL: Practical Guidance for Writing <i>Peter Davies and Karen Sherwood</i>
11.30	Coffee
11.50	Ensuring Your Administrative Procedures meet JCQ Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• JCQ Requirements and GCSE MFL: Your Role in the Process</li><li>• Feedback from the First Session of Controlled Assessment</li><li>• Practical Strategies to Ensure Compliance</li></ul>
12.50	Introduction to workshops
1.00	Restaurant Lunch
2.00	Language option sessions
3.40	Conference Close

Each delegate has a choice of one, from the three available

## Seminar A

Janet Searle

GCSE Speaking: Getting it Right from Task to Result

- Choosing the Theme
- Setting the Task
- Successful Preparation
- Effective Conduct

## Seminar B

Peter Davies

Maximising Performance on the French Writing Paper

- Building Students' Confidence in Writing
- Devising Differentiated Tasks for your Students
- Note Taking: Effective Preparation, Successful Writing
- Practical Assessment Strategies for GCSE French

## Seminar C

Karen Sherwood

Controlled Assessment in Spanish GCSE Speaking & Writing: Tips to Ensure Success

- Selecting, Setting & Adapting Tasks for Your Students
- Preparation is the Key: Practical Guidance
- Successfully Conducting the Assessments
- Assessing Accurately in GCSE Spanish

**Please note: All delegates will receive a handbook containing comprehensive notes from all three seminars**

# Booking Form

## GCSE MFL and Controlled Assessment: Practical Guidance from Examiners

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