

**Punjab Technical University**  
**French-Level I (Basic Course)**  
**Duration 60 Hours**

**OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE:**

The Basic Course intends to enable the candidate to interact in a simple way, introduce oneself and ask others their name, age, address etc., use basic expressions of greeting, farewell and politeness, express lack of understanding, understand and respond in a predictable pattern to simple questions about familiar things. The candidate is able to ask for something (in a store for example), express preferences, fix an appointment with someone (for example the doctor's office), fill up a simple questionnaire (name, address, nationality, civil status etc). The course equally allows the candidate to talk about vacation and past experiences using basic expressions, talk about future plans using basic expressions, talk about weather, write a simple letter or a postal card, localize familiar objects, make simple needs understood, communicate day, date and time, and use the acquired knowledge through phrases, questions and answers.

## **Outline of the examination pattern, syllabi and the courses of reading for Basic Course in French:**

There will be 2 papers:

Paper I will comprise of a written paper of three hours for 50 marks.

Paper II will comprise of Internal Assessment for 50 marks.

### **PAPER – I**

**50 marks**

1. A composition or a dialogue in French of about 150 words or a simple letter of about 75-100 words on a subject covered in the Textbook (choice to be given). 10 marks
2. Comprehension of one simple unseen passage. 10 marks
3. Questions on Applied Grammar pertaining to the prescribed textbook. 10 marks
4. Objective type questions on Civilization pertaining to the prescribed textbook. 10 marks
5. Sentences to be framed in French using everyday expressions e.g. avoir faim, avoir soif etc. 10 marks

### **PAPER – II**

**50 marks**

1. Oral comprehension of 3-4 documents related to everyday life in France. 20 marks

(Instructions pertaining to each listening exercise: Before the recording is played, the candidates will be given 1 minute to read the questionnaire. The recording will be listened to thrice and there will be a pause of 30 seconds after each listening session. Once the oral comprehension test is complete for the given exercise, the candidates will be given 1 minute to review the answers.)

2. Conversation 20 marks
- a. General discussion 10 marks  
(The candidate will answer the questions of the examiner regarding his/her family, interests, hobbies, activities etc.)
- b. Exchange of information 10 marks  
(The candidate will ask questions to the examiner based on the keywords written on slips prepared by the examiner; each question carries 2 marks)
3. Reading 10 marks

### **Syllabus and Courses of Reading:**

Prescribed textbook: *Connexions – 1: Méthode de français* by Régine Mérieux & Yves Loiseau, Didier, Paris, 2004 or the latest available edition (Unit 1-6).

The course material includes:

- A textbook
- A workbook (audio CD included)

Recommended books:

1. Le Nouveau Bescherelle 1, L'Art de conjuguer, Librairie Hatier, Paris.
2. Le Robert & Collins, Dictionnaire Français-Anglais, Anglais- Français

### **Note:**

The minimum number of marks required to pass the examination shall be as under:

45% marks individually in each paper.

50% marks in aggregate.

Dictionaries are not allowed. Invigilators may be informed accordingly.

## **Unit-wise syllabus for the Basic Course in French:**

### **Niveau Fondamental**

### **Méthode : Connexions 1**

#### **Unité 1**

##### **Bonjour !**

##### **Rencontres**

- Saluer
- Entrer en contact avec quelqu'un
- Se présenter
- S'excuser
- Demander à quelqu'un de se présenter
- Présenter quelqu'un

#### **Unité 2**

##### **100% questions**

- Exprimer ses goûts
- Échanger sur ses projets
- Exprimer la possession

#### **Unité 3**

##### **Invitations**

- Indiquer la date
- Demander et indiquer l'heure
- Proposer, accepter, refuser une invitation
- Prendre et fixer un rendez-vous

#### **Unité 4**

##### **Enquête**

- Demander à quelqu'un de faire quelque chose
- Demander poliment
- Donner un ordre / un conseil

- Interdire
- Exprimer l'obligation
- Parler d'actions passées

## **Unité 5**

### **A table !**

- Exprimer son point de vue positif et négatif
- S'informer sur le prix
- S'informer sur la quantité
- Exprimer la quantité

## **Unité 6**

### **Se situer**

- Se situer dans l'espace
- Demander / indiquer une direction
- Localiser