

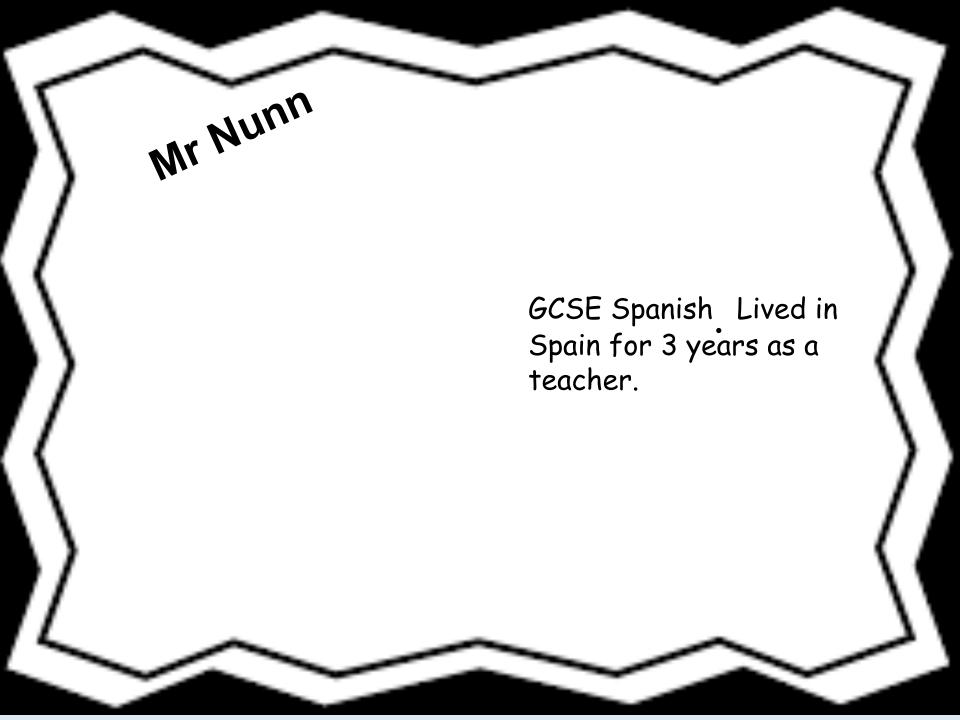
Mr Humpage



Believe it or not but I have FRENCH.

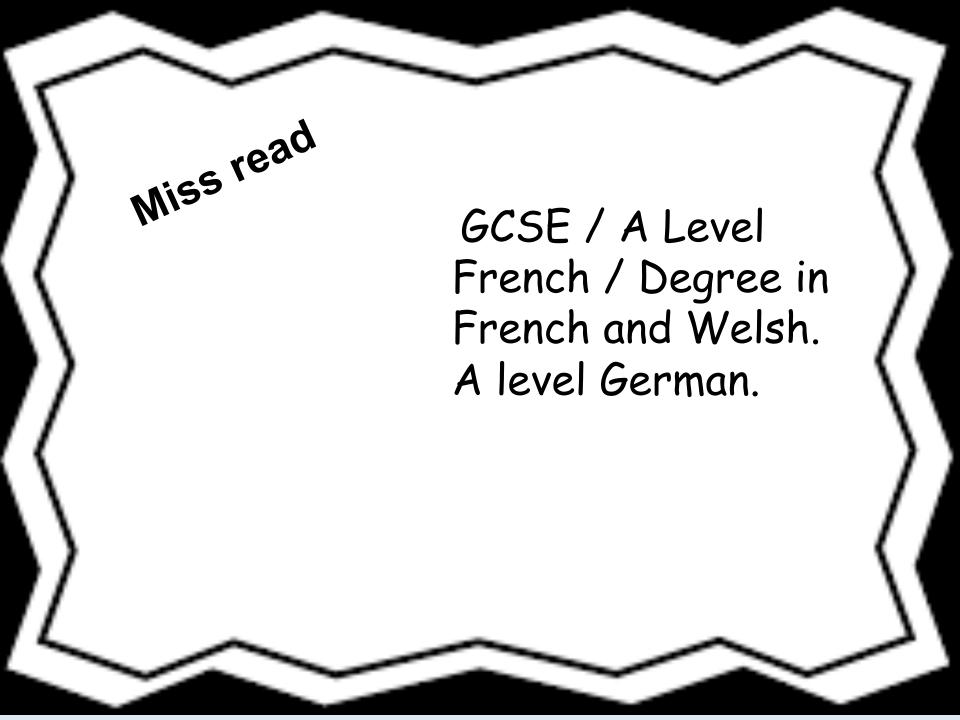
Loved going on holiday to France with the family when the children were younger. Asking for directions, ordering meals in restaurants, visiting local shops for pastries, groceries, bread or meat was so easy. The best thing of all was that local people really appreciated me making the effort, I was by no means fluent but it was enough to have 'banter and a beer' while watching football or rugby.

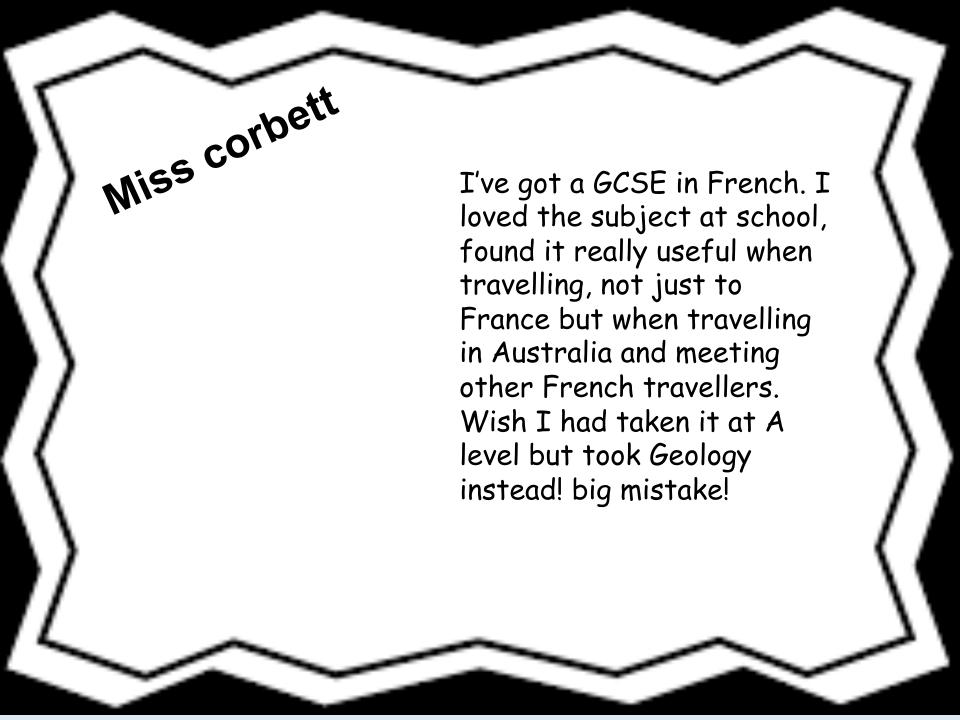
More recently going skiing in French resorts has enabled me to enjoy the time in some fantastic places and talk to some awesome skiers, snowboarders and adrenalin junkies.

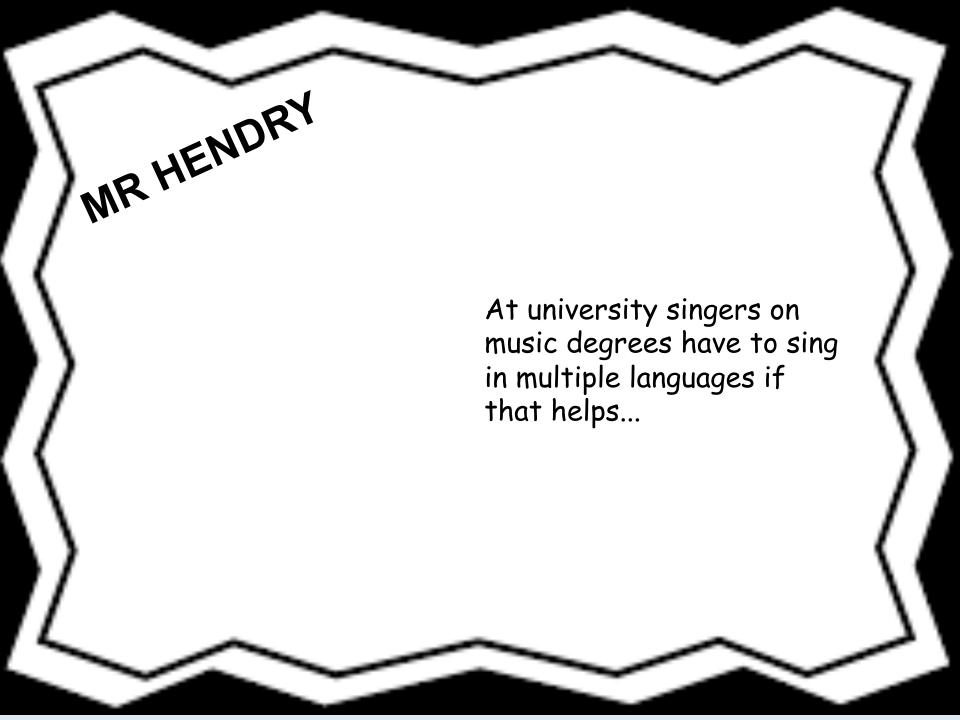


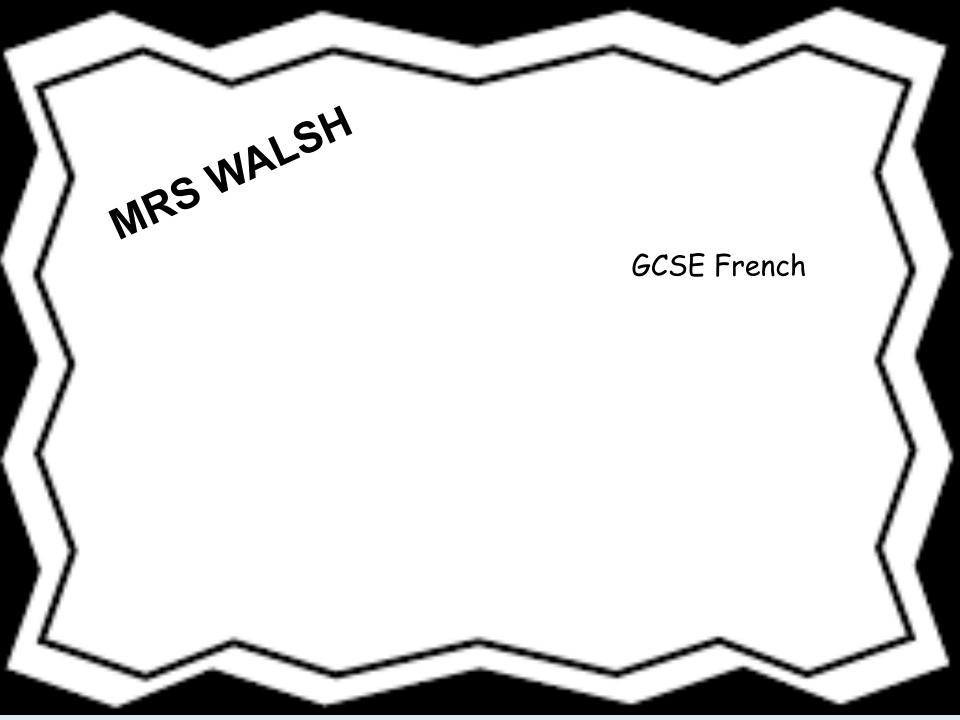


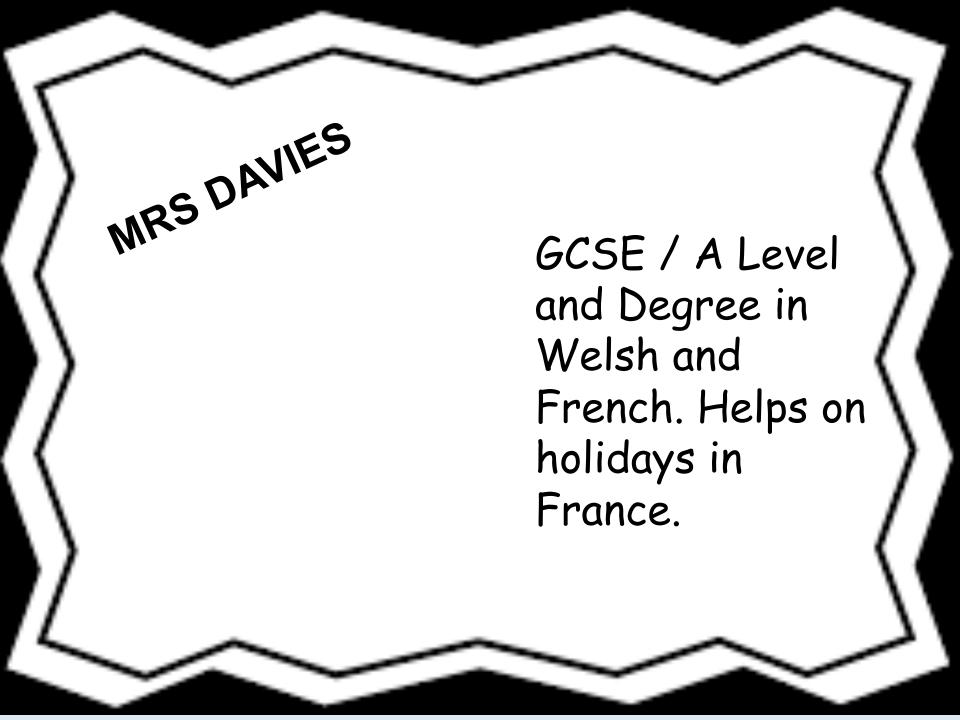








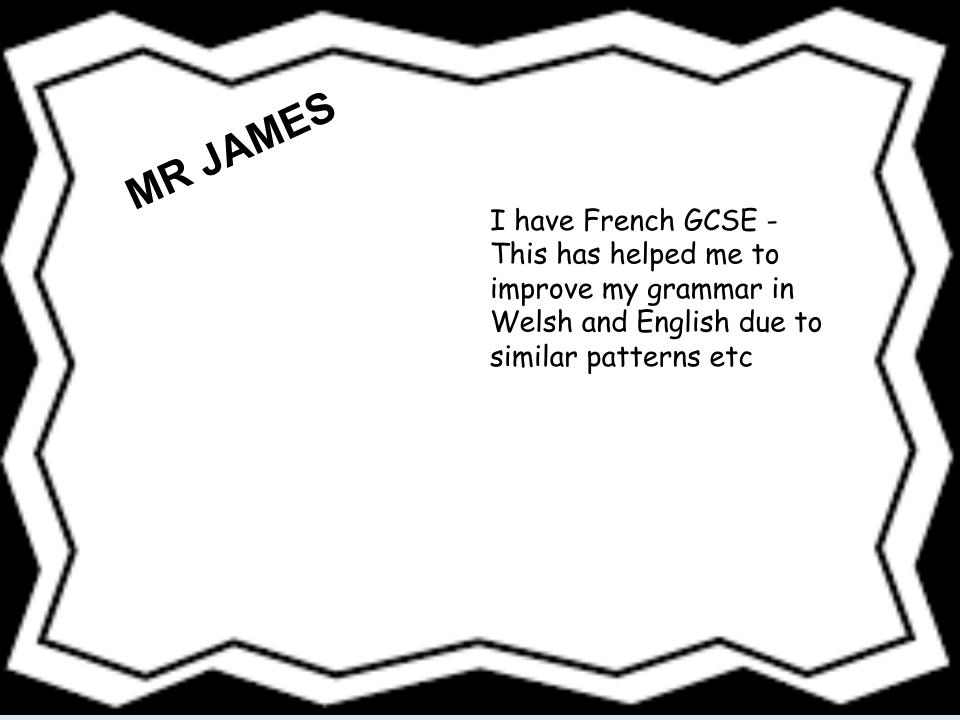


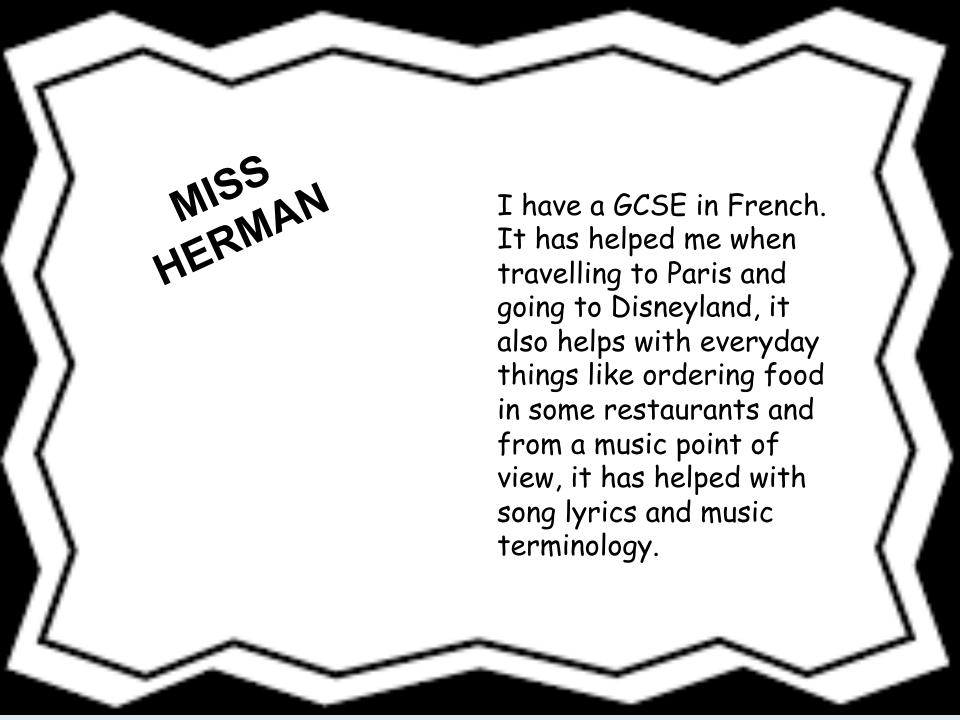


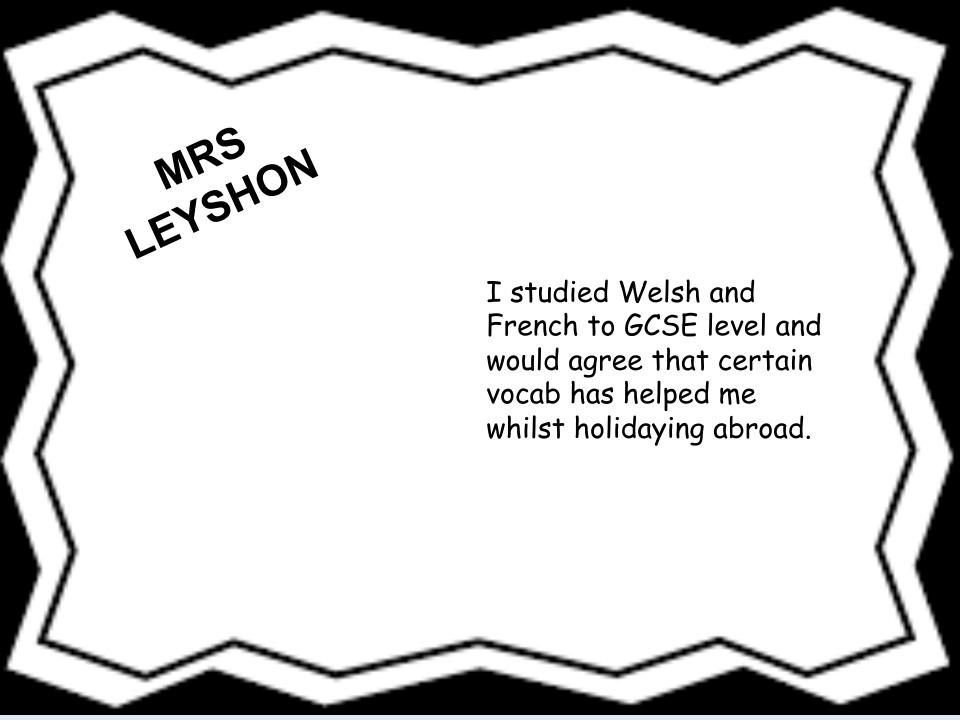


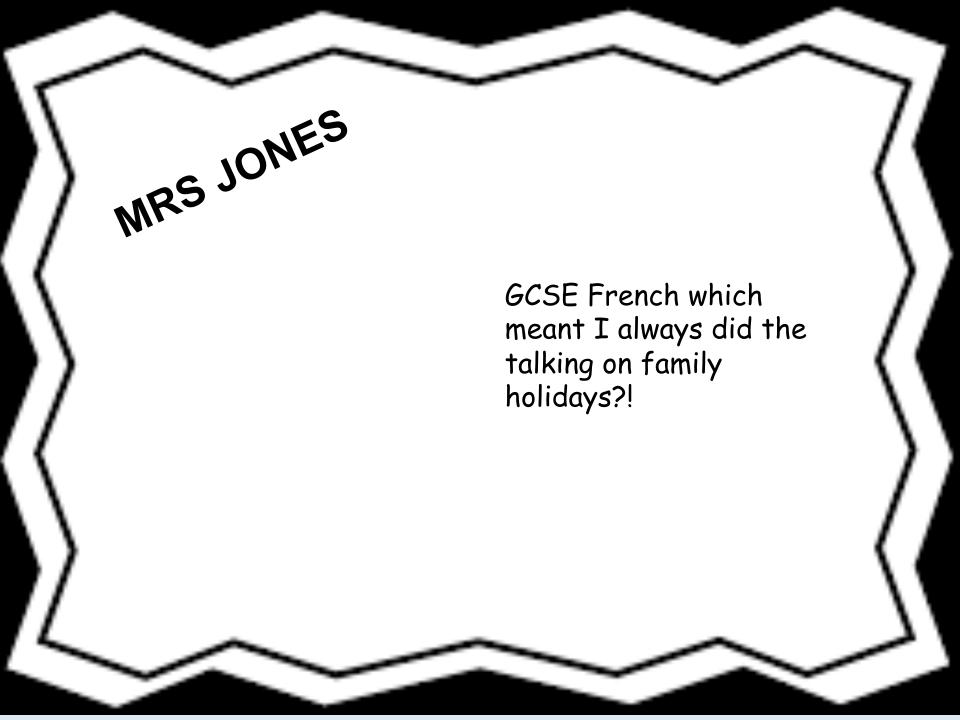
MR GUEST

I speak German to O'level and A'level standard (well, I did), my mother is Viennese and I spent the summers in Vienna and the Austrian lakes and the winter holidays skiing, from when I was born up to about 16/17. Aside from just speaking the lingo, it certainly helped me access Austrian culture on a deeper level. And now, although I do not really speak it at all, it allows me to communicate in places, situations and with people who may not speak English. In most places in Europe, you can get by in most situations with either English or German.

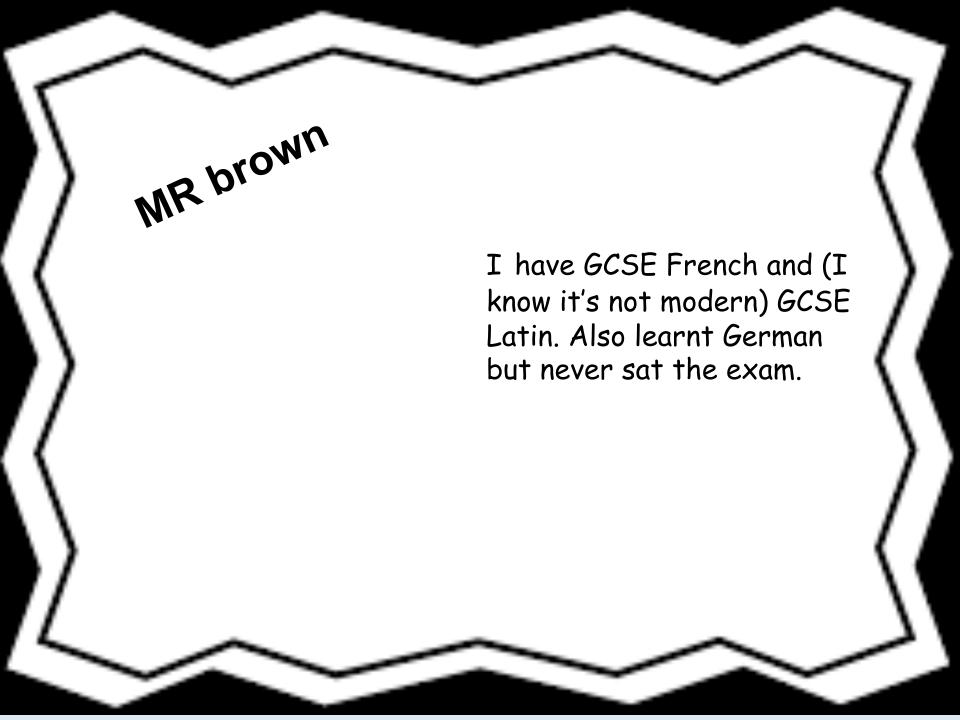


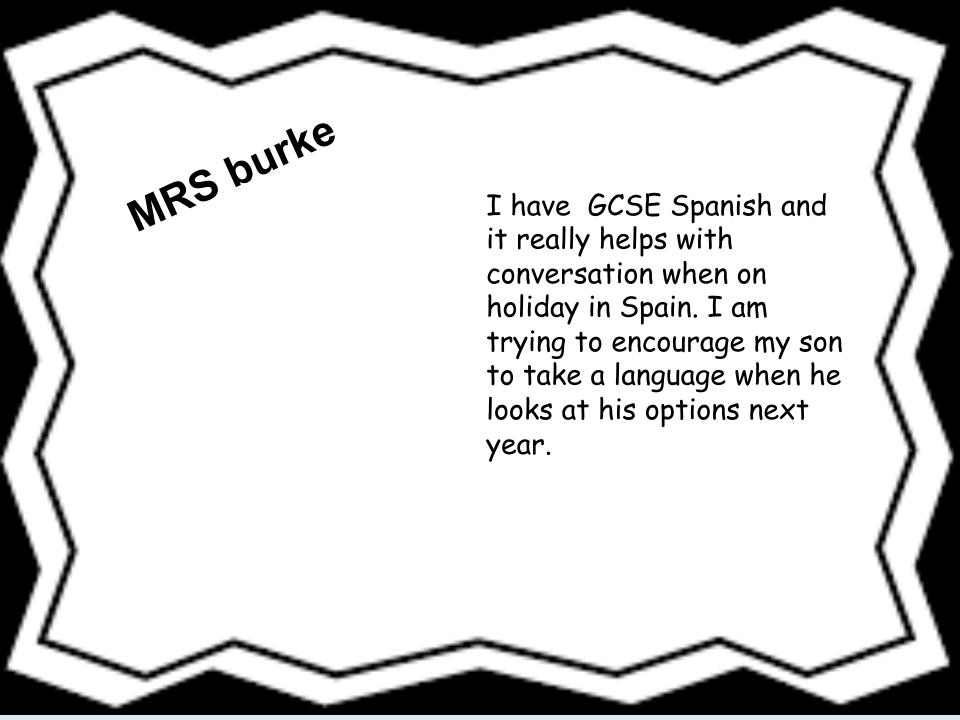






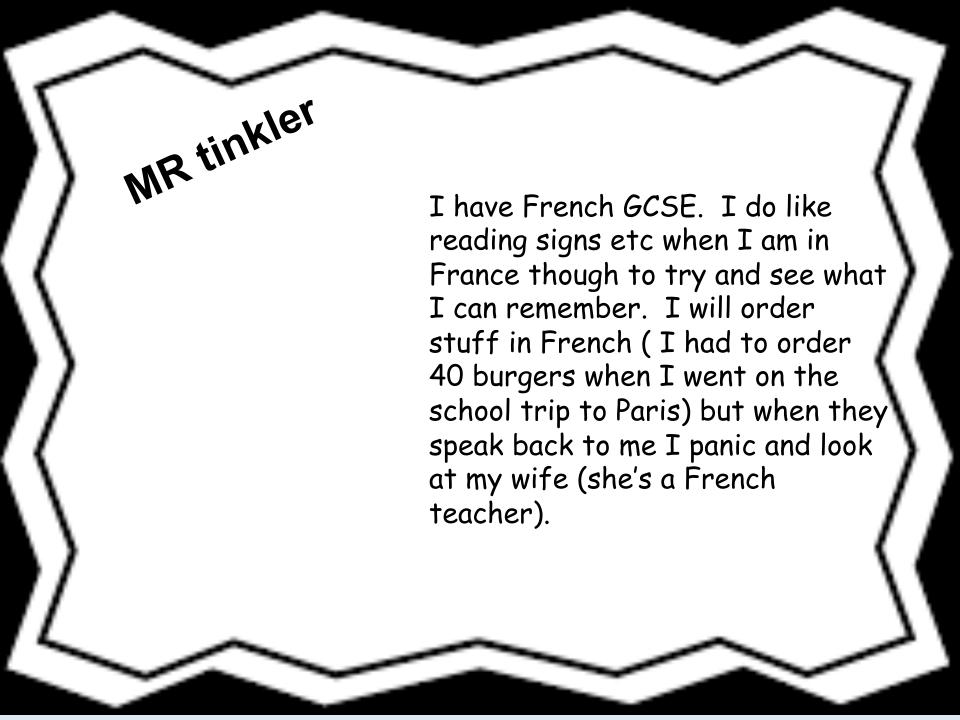








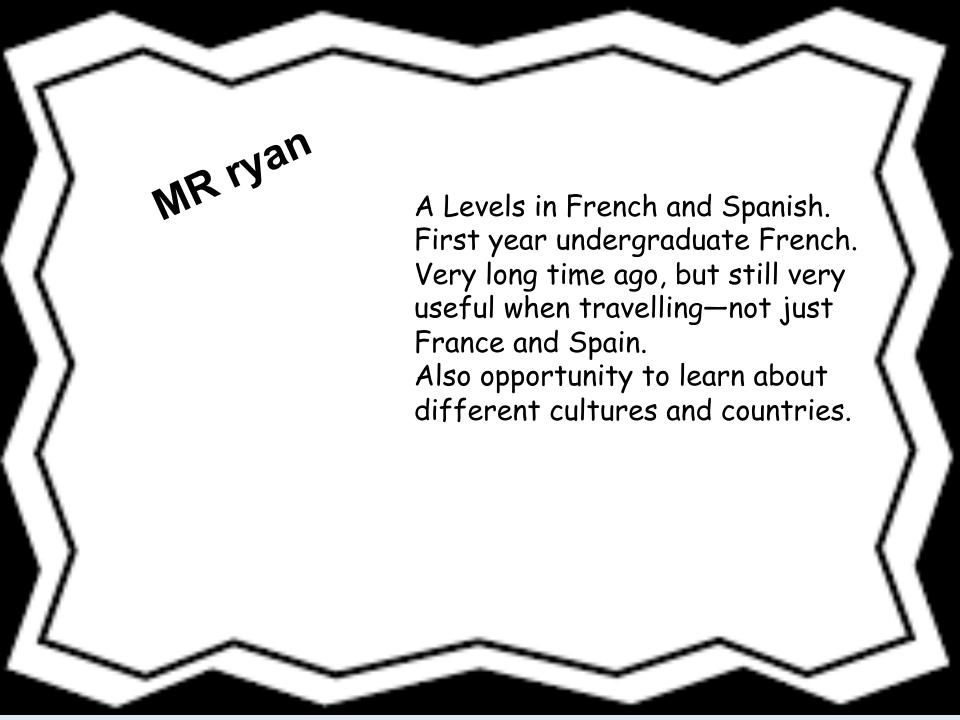
I have A level French, it has helped me travelling abroad. Also it has helped when I was at university and we had French students so I could converse in their own language. Oddly I found it helped with my music (I have a music degree), because I look at notation like another language. The patterns of speech to the patterns of notes and bars are similar.

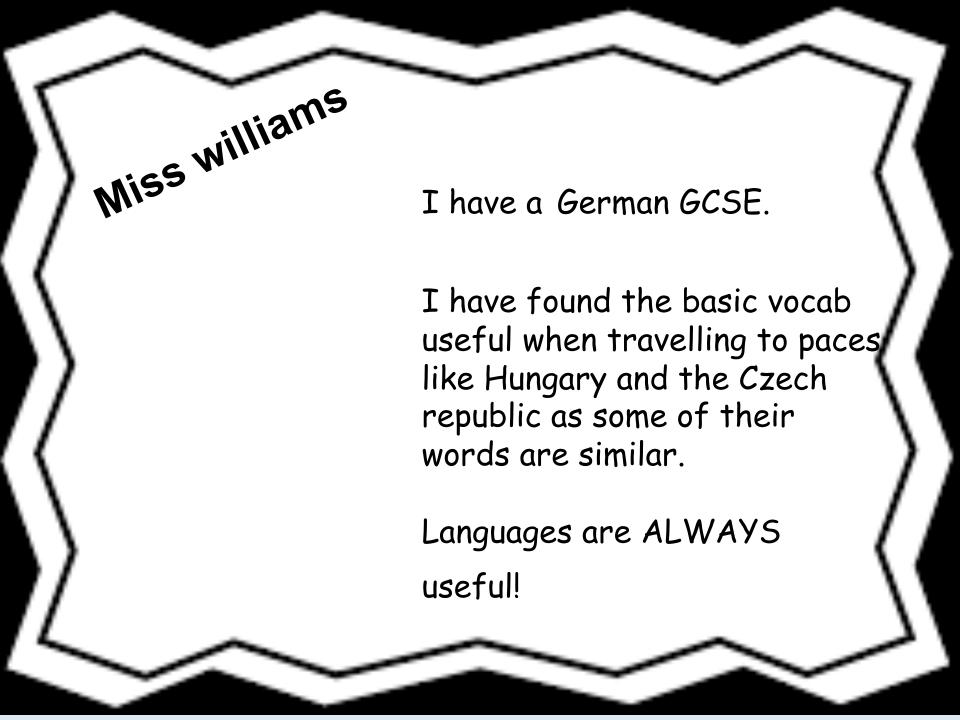


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I have French GCSE and a little spoken Spanish (12 years of 6 week holidays in Spain) - although both rusty. I love trying to speak another language abroad as I feel as though it shows respect for that country. Even if the grammar is wrong and you say the wrong words, it is always a lot of fun and it really doesn't matter. It can be as simple as being able to get on the right bus, finding the beach you want to go to or getting a drink. It makes you feel as though you are 'traveling' rather than just visiting.







MRS burn

I did a French A-level.

It let me communicate with French speaking asylum seekers in a job with Cardiff Council.

I used it a lot during a friend's wedding in France.

It helps me to decipher bits of other Latin languages.

It helped me to get a job with Gwent Ethnic Minority Services.

It got me a job offer to waitress in Canada when I was younger (though I didn't go!).



