

FRENCH AT AMIRA: NEW PROGRAMME SEPTEMBER 2023

Amira's French Study Programme - Learning Strands –

Prefixed dates for each Course-level – Groups Once a Week - Fees

The **French Study Programme at Amira** is based on the subdivision of the European levels (CEFR). Each of the course-levels corresponds to a specific level of competence when using French.

The school aims for a **balanced pedagogical programme** across a range of small group formats (maximum 8 students) including the needs of complete beginners and of advanced French students.

Amira	A0	A1		A2		B1		B2			C1				C2			
European Levels	Prepare	Beginners		Intermediate		Higher (Conversation)		Advanced			Mastery				Professional			
Course Levels	A1.0	A1.1	A1.2	A2.1	A2.2	B1.1	B1.2	B2.1	B2.2	B2.3	C1 Mastery Use				C2 Professional Use			
Group Hours	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45
Amira has small groups (maximum 8 students) and 45 group hours per level = rapid progress & time to practise.																		

From A1.1 to B2.2, there are 8 course-levels.

A Learning Strand is the student's pathway, a consecutive sequence of course-levels from one group cycle to the next in a given group format. Amira pre-defines the start date of each consecutive course-level.

By organising the course-levels of the French Groups in Learning Strands, **Amira has :**

- defined multiple opportunities for students at a particular level to start their course,
- ensured the continuity to further course-levels for each student as they continue through the year,
- added new once weekly courses for higher levels,
- added new online and in-person lesson times, with a choice of meeting days and the number of lessons per week.

The best way to see all this? Review the pages which follow to find when the school has a course at your level in the group format you prefer.

Knowing in advance the start dates for each course- level and its following levels allows students to plan ahead their agenda ; either to make uninterrupted progress in their preferred group format or, take a break and pick up their course at the right level later on. (Note: as of September 2023 Amira's rolling internal planning is until 2027).

FRENCH DAY GROUPS : FEES				FRENCH EVENING GROUPS : FEES			
Levels	Face to Face Groups	Online Groups	Hours	Levels	Face to Face Groups	Online Groups	Hours
1	€595	€495	45	1	€640	€540	45
1 Early	€550	€450	45	1 Early	€595	€495	45
2	€1 030	€830	90	2	€1 140	€940	90
3	€1 495	€1 195	135	3	€1 695	€1 395	135
4	€1 980	€1 580	180	4	€2 240	€1 840	180
5*	€2 465		225				
6*	€2 945		270				
7*	€3 395		315				
8*	€3 845		360				

*+Book approx. 20 € to 25 € per CEFR Euro Level (2 courses) (not included in the group fee)

*Available at Filigranes Corner, Av. Louis Lepoutre 21, or from Amazon.fr

*Intensive Groups Only

To register: <https://www.amira.be/en/French-Small-Groups>

Days / Times	Groups Face-to-Face or Separate Groups by Zoom	Hours / Sessions	French Groups : Max 8 Students Times/Levels
MORNINGS : Daily Intensive Group Cycles			
Summer Intensives July/August 2 weeks	Face-to-Face only	40h / 10	9:00-13:00 : A1.1 - B1.1
All Year Round Intensives Cycles of 3 weeks	Face-to-Face only	45h / 14	9:15-12:30 : A1.1 - B2.2
MORNINGS TWICE WEEKLY : Cycles of 10 weeks			
Tues & Thurs Morning	Zoom only	45h / 19	9:15-11:40 A0 - A2.2 (B1.1)
MORNINGS ONCE WEEKLY : Cycles of 15 weeks			
Monday Morning	Zoom only	45h / 15	9:00-12:00 B2.1 - B2.2
Tuesday Morning	Zoom only	45h / 15	B2.2 - B2.3
Wednesday Morning	Face-to-Face / Zoom	45h / 15	B2.3 - C1
Thursday Morning	Zoom only	45h / 15	B1.2 - B2.1
Friday Morning	Zoom only	45h / 15	B1.1 - B1.2
AFTERNOONS ONCE WEEKLY : Cycles of 15 weeks			
Wednesday Afternoon	Face-to-Face / Zoom	45h / 15	13h30-16h30
EVENINGS TWICE WEEKLY : Cycles of 10 weeks - Series A			
A - Mon & Wed Evening	Face-to-Face / Zoom	45h / 19	18:30-20:55 Series A : A1.1 - B2.2
A - Tues & Thurs Evening	Face-to-Face / Zoom	45h / 19	Series A : A1.1 - B2.2
EVENINGS TWICE WEEKLY Series B : Cycles of 10 weeks starting 5 weeks after Series A			
B - Mon & Wed Evening	Face-to-Face / Zoom	45h / 19	18:30-20:55 Extra Evening groups
B - Tues & Thurs Evening	Face-to-Face / Zoom	45h / 19	Extra Evening groups
EVENINGS ONCE WEEKLY : Cycles of 15 weeks			
Monday Evening	Face-to-Face / Zoom	45h / 15	18:15-21:15 A2.1 - A2.2
Tuesday Evening	Face-to-Face / Zoom	45h / 15	B1.1 - B1.2 / (C1)
Wednesday Evening	Face-to-Face / Zoom	45h / 15	B2.1 - B2.2
Thursday Evening	Face-to-Face / Zoom	45h / 15	B2.3 - C1--> C2

FRENCH LEARNING STRANDS AT AMIRA: Autumn 2023 - Spring 2025

MORNING GROUPS

FRENCH DAILY INTENSIVES: IN-PERSON (ONLY)

Learning Strands are Consecutive Levels from One Group Cycle to the Next: **A1.1 → B2.2**

Levels: 45 HOURS IN 14 SESSIONS OVER 3 WEEKS. Times 9:15 to 12:25/30.
Each group level is bookable separately or for up to 8 cycles (6 months)
Start at any level and group cycle, your strand will continue to B2.2
Extra groups are planned as needed - also in the afternoons from 13:30

French Daily Intensive Learning Strands: Levels and Start Dates : 09/2023-03/2025 :								
1	A1.1	A1.2	A2.1	A2.2	B1.1	B1.2	B2.1	B2.2
2	A2.1	A2.2	B1.1	B1.2	B2.1	B2.2	A1.1	A1.2
3	B1.1	B1.2	B2.1	B2.2	A1.1	A1.2	A2.1	A2.2
4	B2.1	B2.2	A1.1	A1.2	A2.1	A2.2	B1.1	B1.2
Start Dates	25/9/23	16/10	6/11	27/11	15/1/24	5/2	26/2	18/3/24
	8/4/24	29/4	27/5	17/6	8/7/24	29/7	19/8	9/9/24
	30/9/24	21/10	12/11	2/12	14/1/25	3/2	24/2	17/3/25

TWICE WEEKLY MORNINGS ONLINE: A1.0 → B1.1

Tuesday & Thursday Mornings ONLINE only
45 HOURS IN 19 SESSIONS / 10 WEEKS. Times 9:15 to 11:35/40
Levels are bookable separately or for up to 4 consecutive levels (one year)

/Start:	2023	2024	2024	2024	2024	2025	2025	2025
Strands :	Oct	Jan	Apr	June	Oct	Jan	Mar	July
5	/A1.0	A1.1	A1.2	A2.1	A2.2	B1.1	/A1.0	A1.1
6	A1.1	A1.2	A2.1	A2.2	B1.1	/A1.0	A1.1	A1.2
7	A1.2	A2.1	A2.2	B1.1	/A1.0	A1.1	A1.2	A2.1

ADVANCED FRENCH - ONCE WEEKLY

LEVELS **B2.3 → C1 / C2**

AT AMIRA IN-PERSON OR IN AN ONLINE GROUP

Wednesday Mornings or Thursday Evenings

45 HOURS IN 15 ONCE WEEKLY SESSIONS

Strand 10: Wednesday Morning groups Times 09:00 am to 12:00 noon

Strand 32: Thursday Evening Groups In-person 18:15 to 21:15/
Online 18:00 to 21:00 /

Two group cycles in a year, starting October and February

Advanced French Groups:	October Starts B2.3 -C1*	February Starts C1 - C1*	On demand Groups C2*

*Advanced French courses are adapted to the levels of the students who register and to vocabulary areas of interest to them.

ONCE WEEKLY MORNINGS ONLINE: LEVELS B1.1 → B1.2

Once Weekly Morning Groups ONLINE only. Times 9:00 to 12:00 noon
45 HOURS IN 15 ONCE WEEKLY SESSIONS – Two group cycles/levels a year

Strands	Days	October Starts	February
8	Monday Mornings	B2.1	B2.2
9	Tuesday Mornings	B2.2	B2.3
11	Thursday Mornings	B1.2	B2.1
12	Friday Mornings	B1.1	B1.2

See Advanced French groups in person or online on Wednesday mornings (Strand 10)

EVENING GROUPS

TWICE WEEKLY EVENINGS: IN-PERSON OR ONLINE: LEVELS A1.1 → B2.2

Amira's Evening French Group programme proposes French groups at 4 starting dates a year, in 8 strands of consecutive levels. Times: 18:30-20:50/55
45 HOURS IN 19 SESSIONS – 10 WEEKS / Each level is offered in-person & online and bookable separately or for up to 4 consecutive levels (one year).

Evening Group Strands: **Monday & Wednesday Levels**

/Start:	2023	2023	2024	2024	2024	2024	2025	2025
Strands	Sep	Nov	Feb	June	Sep	Nov	Mar	June
21	/A1.1	A1.2	A2.1	A2.2	B1.1	B1.2	B2.1	B2.2
22	A1.2	A2.1	A2.2	B1.1	B1.2	B2.1	B2.2	/A1.1
23	B2.1	B2.2	/A1.1	A1.2	A2.1	A2.2	B1.1	B1.2
24	B2.2	/A1.1	A1.2	A2.1	A2.2	B1.1	B1.2	B2.1

Evening Group Strands: **Tuesday & Thursday Levels**

/Start:	2023	2023	2024	2024	2024	2024	2025	2025
Strands	Sep	Nov	Feb	June	Sep	Nov	Mar	June
25	A2.1	A2.2	B1.1	B1.2	B2.1	B2.2	/A1.1	A1.2
26	A2.2	B1.1	B1.2	B2.1	B2.2	/A1.1	A1.2	A2.1
27	B1.1	B1.2	B2.1	B2.2	/A1.1	A1.2	A2.1	A2.2
28	B1.2	B2.1	B2.2	/A1.1	A1.2	A2.1	B1.2	B2.1

ONCE WEEKLY EVENINGS: LEVELS A2.1 → C1

GROUPS IN-PERSON OR ONLINE Two levels a year

Amira's groups are 45 HOURS IN 15 SESSIONS. Times 18:15-21:15

Strands	Evenings	October Starts	February Starts
29	Monday Evenings	A2.1 - A2.2	A2.2 - B1.1
30	Tuesday Evenings	B1.1 - B1.2	B1.2 - B2.1
31	Wednesday Evenings	B2.1 - B2.2	B2.2 - B2.3
32	Thursday Advanced	B2.3 - C1	C1 - C1

TWICE WEEKLY EVENINGS: 'SERIES B'

GROUPS IN-PERSON OR ONLINE

Amira's 'Series B' Twice Weekly Evening French groups start in October / January / April / July.

The start dates are 5 weeks after the above 'Series A' groups.

The school proposes online and in-person groups at the Series B starting dates as required to complement the groups & levels that started at the previous Series A dates - notably for extra groups at a given level and groups to ensure the continuity of levels for continuing students.