

# Top Tips for Learning in French and German

We all learn in different ways. If you already have a successful way of learning, share your ideas with a friend or your teacher. We are all in this together! You might also like to try the following:

- **LEARN LITTLE AND OFTEN** - repetition is the key to successful language learning. Aim to spend 10 minutes every day learning vocabulary. This is more effective than spending an hour a week.
- **USE PICTURES** - draw pictures or symbols to help you remember words. Start at different points in your list of words each time. We learn better when we have more beginnings and endings.
- **SEE WHAT YOU WANT TO LEARN** - make a spidergram or use post-its to stick up in your room and around the house. Use highlighter pens to underline key words/phrases in different colours.
- **HEAR WHAT YOU WANT TO LEARN** - record words! phrases/ prepared speeches onto tape and listen to them. Ask someone else to read words to you and test you.
- **MIND MAPS** - these give you a clear visual reminder of the work you want to learn. Mind maps are very useful when preparing notes for revision. Your teacher will show you how to design mind maps.
- **SONGS** - make up a song using the words/phrases you want to learn to a tune you know.
- **LOOK** (look at your list of words), **COVER** (cover them up and learn them), **WRITE** (write them out from your memory), **CHECK** (refer to your original list and check what you have written). This method is good for learning meanings and spellings.
- **WORDSEARCH** - make up a wordsearch and swap it with a friend to solve.
- **GAMES** - make up a game using words or phrases and teach it to someone else.