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French in Normandy

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# WELCOME TO FRENCH IN NORMANDY!

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We hope you will find this little guide book useful and we wish you a pleasant stay with us! See you soon...

## 1) YOUR FIRST DAY IN FRENCH IN NORMANDY

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If you have chosen an INTENSIVE programme the hours are as follows:

- Every morning from 9.30 am to 11.00 am and from 11.30 am to 1.00 pm
- The afternoons from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm.

If you have chosen a SEMI-INTENSIVE, the hours are as follows:

- Every morning from 9.30 am to 11.00 am and from 11.30 am to 1.00 pm.

If you have chosen a DEMI-INTENSIVE, the hours are as follows:

- The afternoons from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm

We ask you to come to school at 8.00 am on the first Monday so you can do a short test. At the end of your assessment, we will show you the school, introduce you to the staff, tell you about safety procedures and give you a folder with a map of Rouen and tourist information. If you want to do a particular visit while you are in Normandy, do not hesitate to tell us so that we can try to organise this outing for you.

Do not forget to bring a passport photo as well as your passport or ID card! If you want a student card then you will need a second passport style photo. The Monday of your arrival, we organise an afternoon orientation visit to Rouen at 4.15 pm. It is an opportunity to get to know the town, to buy your metro and bus card and to get your bearings.

## 2) YOUR ACCOMMODATION AND GENERAL WELL-BEING DURING YOUR STAY

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Staying in a host family is a great way to learn the language and also to get to know French culture and way of life.

Here are some tips to make your stay a success:

- Inform the family if you are coming back late in the evening or if you are not planning to have dinner at home.
- Respect your family's way of life and timetable even if it is different from what you are used to.

**Malika BEZZOU is our school manager.** She, Eleri, Jennifer, Agathe and Vanessa are all available for any queries you may have about accommodation, health and your stay in general.

### 3) METHOD, COURSE CONTENT AND LENGTH

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- Courses are given only in French. It's really the best way to learn a language! Our method is communicative, task based and active – we put the emphasis on speaking and listening but every lesson has a grammar point too!
- Our programmes follow the Common European Framework and we offer programmes for levels A1-C2 and each level lasts 16 weeks.
- On your first day after the test you will receive the details of the course content and your objectives for the week.
- The maximum number in the group is 12
- After lessons, take the time to speak French with the other students even if you are not in the same group. It is an ideal opportunity to get to know each other and to practise your French.
- Your trainer will give you homework to check if you have assimilated the various points tackled in class. This work will be corrected in class the following day.
- If you have a laptop, computer or smart phone they will be put to good use in the lessons or for homework so bring them along. Do not worry if you do not have one !

### 4) TESTS, EXAMS, CERTIFICATES

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- Every week your trainer will ask you to take part in a role play or to prepare a specific task in order to check your progress. They will give you their feedback and ask you to self-assess your performance. The day before you leave there will be a formal test to check your final level.
- On your last day you will receive your final certificate and a corrected copy of your test.
- We offer the following external test: TCF. Full information and dates are posted in the hall on the exam info board.
- We offer special DELF/DALF preparation courses and you can take the exam in Rouen.

Above all, don't hesitate to talk to our trainers. They are here to listen to you as is Vanessa Daubigney our Course Coordinator or Agathe Leballeur, Academic Liaison, who are both always available to talk to you about your programme, your progress or about the lessons in general.

### 5) EXCURSIONS AND VISITS

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Every week we put up a programme of events and things to do together. You can take part in our activities programme at a nominal cost.

Don't forget if you have a questions, a problem or need someone to talk to we are always here for you!

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