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## Level 3 French 2024

### 91546 Demonstrate understanding of a variety of extended written and/or visual French texts

Credits: Five

Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence
Demonstrate understanding of a variety of extended written and/or visual French texts.	Demonstrate clear understanding of a variety of extended written and/or visual French texts.	Demonstrate thorough understanding of a variety of extended written and/or visual French texts.

Check that the National Student Number (NSN) on your admission slip is the same as the number at the top of this page.

Pull out Resource Booklet 91546R from the centre of this booklet.

**You should attempt ALL the questions in this booklet.**

Answer in your choice of English, te reo Māori, and/or French. If you need more room for any answer, use the extra space provided at the back of this booklet.

Check that this booklet has pages 2–8 in the correct order and that none of these pages is blank.

Do not write in the margins (// // //). This area will be cut off when the booklet is marked.

**YOU MUST HAND THIS BOOKLET TO THE SUPERVISOR AT THE END OF THE EXAMINATION.**

Merit

TOTAL 17

**QUESTION ONE: *La tendance des cairns en Charente-Maritime***  
**(The trend of stone stacking in Charente-Maritime)**

Read Text A on page 2 of the resource booklet.

- (a) What is stone stacking and why are people doing it?

During your stay at Charente-Maritime you will probably see little piles of stones that are called stone stacks seen when travelling or walking in nature. You might even be amused while constructing and you can photograph them before you share. For many years this practice has been known as a growing success and is popular on social media. A stone stack <sup>is constructed for</sup> ~~consists of~~ a certain artistic performance or a competition. If you touch and ~~destroy~~ their beautiful creation they can have an aggressive attitude. Some know of this mission and absolutely must make their stone stack before leaving. This phenomenon of fashion can become a true nuisance up until it isn't realised as a good place. The stone stacks are being made by people because they think it's fun and want to post it on social media.

- (b) What message is this leaflet aiming to communicate?

This leaflet is trying to communicate the impacts and significance of stone stacking in Charente-Maritime. It can have a devastating impact on native species. Last year, stone stacks were found in the habitat of certain native species. The problem is that these little stones are not simply stones. They make up the <sup>potential</sup> habitats for certain species on the beach. Messing up or rearranging the stones can thus have the effect of driving out creatures who depend and even need them to survive. Certain

species form them of tiny colonies and even some stone stacks in this zone can rapidly indicate that the colony is no longer living. Even in the river, displacing the rocks can change the structure of the ecosystem of aquatic species and expose them to potential death. It can even alter the flow of water. <sup>When</sup> The stones are elevated, this can equally accelerate the erosion and diminish the protection that they bring to the sea. The first regulation in the environment is to not leave a trace. Don't leave a personal evidence with a pile of stones. While creating these stone stacks, you can cause some <sup>major</sup> problems for native species. As seen in the first sentence of the leaflet saying to ~~find~~ <sup>make</sup> the most of the flora and fauna but please don't make piles of stones, the message they want to communicate is the negative impact making stone stacks has on the environment so people don't do it.

## QUESTION TWO: L'île de Bréhat (Brehat Island)

Read Text B on page 3 of the resource booklet.

- (a) Explain what the mayor of Brehat decided to do.

The mayor, for the first time in July and August this year, limited access to Bréhat. It was limited to 4700 passengers on the boats at 8:30am and 2:30pm on Monday and Friday, no more were welcome than that so those who came were welcomed better, was how the decision was justified by the Mayor. The Mayor limited the number of tourists certain days of Summer because there are no cars in Bréhat but there are lots of visitors. 10 minutes from the coast, this little island where each year 422 inhabitants count 75% of secondary residences (75% of inhabitants have their <sup>holiday</sup> ~~second~~ home there), and received 450000 visitors in 2022.

- (b) Was this a good decision? Justify your response with evidence from the text.

This was a good decision as the amount of visitors was bad for the environment, and some businesses were overwhelmed by the tourists, however some businesses will be negatively impacted by the decision. According to a survey done in 2022, 84% of the inhabitants <sup>think they</sup> ~~estimate~~ should implement regulations. They said that infrastructures are overflowing with visitors, the environment is becoming

more and more ruined, Some of the paths are destroyed by the effect of the crowds of tourists. Some salespeople are becoming overwhelmed. They need 60 or 70 people if they want to make quality, When there's too many people it's not possible, realised an employee in a creperie. Last August the height of dissatisfaction increased to nearly 30% which is not good for activity according to the mayor. Things accelerated at the beginning of the year with new boats, more visitors could be transported. And the phenomenon of the platforms of the location by the internet have made it so that secondary residents are occupying the island all the time now. On peak days, they have 10,000 people arriving on the island meaning the population of the year multiplies by 25 according to the mayor. For some people, limiting tourists is not a good idea, they say it's too rapid. The owner of a restaurant and the only bakery open all year says that if tourists are limited he won't have enough money to pay his 4 employees of the year and he will have to ~~turn~~ close the bakery. For the owner of a hotel-bar-restaurant, he says it's necessary to preserve the island but there will be impacts to levels of vendors as their activity is made regular by the boats

**QUESTION THREE: *Un village en Auvergne renomme ses rues*  
(A village in Auvergne renames its streets)**

Read Text C on page 4 of the resource booklet.

- (a) Explain why the streets of the village needed to be renamed.

For a long time, the law in France ~~obliged~~<sup>only</sup> towns of more than 2000 inhabitants to name their streets and number their buildings. In 2021, 15% of French roads didn't have a precise address. Since the new law even little villages should give a name to their streets. The village Saint-Jean-d'Heurs with 664 inhabitants had an idea from the deputy director of cultural affairs; to rename the streets with the names of singers, dead or alive. The aim was to give the village a different image that was dynamic and more youthful.

- (b) What idea did the deputy director of culture have and what steps were taken to ensure the success of the project?

It counted on the contribution of the inhabitants to give the project participation to attain a diversity of artists. He proposed this idea and 95% of the people favored it. Participants should propose 3 names. The final decision was taken judged by certain criterias and had to be equal amounts of males and females, with a total of 48 names chosen. Concerning style, there was a

variety, they tried to listen to the opinions of the applications of the volunteers. One rapper from Marsæi Ilais was super popular but his image and ~~the texts~~ what he said cost him a plaque. They wanted to protect the ethics of the town affirmed the deputy director of cultural affairs. They even included amatures of music and wanted to push the theme up to the edge and give places names of musical styles like jazz, rock or reggae. This village with names of artists is probably becoming a unique case in France. The music is one of the rare things like with sport that can reunite people.

## Merit

**Subject:** French

**Standard:** 91546

**Total score:** 17

Q	Grade score	Marker commentary
One	M5	There were some misunderstandings of the text, such as confusing native species with endangered species. Additionally, some phrases, like "phenomenon of fashion", " needed to be translated more naturally.
Two	M6	While the candidate demonstrated a clear understanding of most information and provided supporting details, there was some confusion about the "plateformes de location".  Additionally, the candidate did not refine their response by connecting the ideas more effectively.
Three	M6	Most information was clearly understood by the candidate and was supported with detail. To gain E7 or better, the candidate needed to provide the implied meaning.