



## ATAR course examination, 2026

# FRENCH: BACKGROUND LANGUAGE

## Practical (oral) examination

### Time allowed for this examination

Discussion of personal investigation: approximately 12–15 minutes

### Materials required/recommended for this examination

#### *To be provided by the candidate*

Standard items: pens (blue/black preferred), pencils (including coloured), sharpener, correction fluid/tape, eraser, ruler, highlighters

### Important note to candidates

No other items may be taken into the examination room. It is **your** responsibility to ensure that you do not have any unauthorised material. If you have any unauthorised material with you, hand it to the supervisor **before** reading any further.

## Structure of the examination

The French: Background Language ATAR course examination consists of a written component and a practical (oral) component.

## Criteria for marking the practical (oral) examination

| Criteria                             | Time allocation (minutes)   | Marks available | Percentage of practical examination |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| Discussion of personal investigation | approximately 12–15 minutes | 20              | 100                                 |
| <b>Total</b>                         |                             |                 | 100                                 |

## Instructions to candidates

1. Briefly introduce the focus of the personal investigation.
2. Discuss with the marker the focus of the personal investigation, referring to the source texts used. You may refer to personal experiences related to the topic.
3. You must follow the requirements for this examination published in the *French: Background Language ATAR course Practical (oral) examination requirements 2026* document.