

MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES

14+ entrance examination

This will consist of a **short written test** (30 minutes) which candidates will complete in a foreign language in which they intend to take IGCSE. A choice of papers in French, German or Spanish will be offered.

All pupils at Exeter School will enter the Middle Fifth form (Year 10) having studied two foreign languages in depth during the previous 2 years, following the taster courses of 3rd form (Year 7). All pupils take one language to IGCSE level, and about 25% of pupils take a second language in addition. Candidates for the 14+ examination will be aiming to prove they could slot into a Middle Fifth class in a foreign language, ready to start the journey to IGCSE when they join the school.

The test will consist of:

- a number of short texts for **reading comprehension**, which will require non-verbal answers, or very short answers in the target language;
- a free **composition** in the target language, where candidates may demonstrate the extent of their previous knowledge. Bullet points will be provided for guidance, and the best answers will contain references to past, present and future events.