**VIRTUAL BEGINNER PROGRAM: A1**

**OBJECTIVE:** Introduce students to the French language and enable them to live in a French-speaking community.

**GOAL:** We want our students to develop their knowledge of French so that they are equipped to:

* Function in everyday life.
* Communicate in all kinds of everyday situations (Contact a cab, order at a restaurant, book a hotel room, talk to neighbors, etc.).
* Read and understand text.
* Structure sentences to be understood.

**CONTENT OF THE VIRTUAL FRENCH PROGRAM:**

**A. Phonetics and phonology:**

During the first few weeks, the student will become familiar with the pronunciation of new sounds. This will take about ten minutes per lesson.

**B. The virtual French program:**

The virtual French program is based on the textbook and activity book ÉDITO. Each manual and workbook represent a level. For beginner level A1, each student will need both the ÉDITO A1 textbook and activity book. We'll cover one unit approximately every two weeks.

We won't cover every aspect of the textbook.

You will be expected to do approximately one hour of homework per class day.

The class will be composed of four to six students to help the student maximize listening and comprehension potential.

**C. In the basic program :**

DIALOGUE:

The aim of the dialogue course is to develop vocabulary and practice the French sentence structure. To do this, you need to memorize not just words but most importantly verbs. Pronunciation and comprehension go with audio, video and written material.

GRAMMAR:

The structural study of grammar is very important to French and will therefore have a specified class time. During this class, you will put the structures you've studied into practice through writing. In-class homework will be based on the workbook and the fascicule (the exercise book).

**D. Google Classroom Quizlet:**

An accompanianment that Parole de Vie offers (for free) to the course content is Google Classroom Quizlet. This is not required. However, it will be useful for reinforcing what you've learned in the virtual classroom. To use it, each student will need to sign up for it.

**E. Program duration:**

The virtual French program will run for fourteen (14) weeks, six (6) hours per week on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The program will begin on August 28 and ends December 4. Classes can be held in the morning or afternoon, depending on the needs and availability of the professor. An email will be sent closer to the beginning of classes with the specific class hours.

**F. Required equipment:**

Each student will need a computer and stable Internet access. Classes will be held on ZOOM. An invitation will be sent by email.

You will need these two books:

* The ÉDITO A1 textbook, 2nd edition: ISBN9782278104468 (approx. $40)
* ÉDITO A1 Activity Book, 2nd edition: ISBN 9782278103652 (approx. $30)

These two books can be ordered at a bookstore near you, or on Amazon.

This material is produced in France. It can be ordered from Amazon.fr for those located outside North America.

The fascicule is a booklet produced by Parole de Vie Québec's language school.

This will be sent to by e-mail. The cost of the booklet is included in the tuition fees.

**G. DELF and placement test:**

When you register, a placement test will be sent with your registration form. If you are a beginner the placement test is not necessary.

To register, use the form on our website

([www.studyfrench.org](http://www.studyfrench.org/)) or contact our registrar: swiesenauer@paroledevie.ca.