

Notre histoire 1: AP® Themes + Sub-Themes and Essential Questions by Unit

Unit	AP® Theme + Sub-Theme	Essential Questions
1	Families and Communities: School	Why should you study another language? What do you need in order to be successful in school? What are some differences between your school and schools in France (or other francophone countries)?
2	Beauty and Aesthetics: Definitions of Beauty	What sources influence fashion and definitions of beauty? How do ideals of beauty affect daily life? What is considered beautiful in different cultures?
3	Contemporary Life: Entertainment and Fun	How do people in different cultures spend their leisure time? What are some differences between your daily life and the daily life of people in France (or francophone countries)? What does “leisure time” mean?
4	Science and Technology: Technology and Self	How does technology connect people? Why do we use technology? How does technology influence cultural identity?
5	World Challenges: Population and Demographics	What are the benefits of travel? Why do people move to new places? How does where you are from influence your identity? How are challenges in France (or other francophone countries) different from challenges where you live?
6	Personal and Public Identities: National Identity and Ethnic Identity	How are the cultural practices in France (or other francophone countries) different from your own cultural practices? What elements contribute to cultural identity? How do language and culture influence identity? How are the cultural practices in France (or other francophone countries) similar to your own cultural practices?

AP® Themes and Subthemes Covered in Each Unit by Level



Unit	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
1	Families and Communities: School	Contemporary Life: Travel and Pastimes	Beauty and Aesthetics: Visual Arts	Personal and Public Identities: Personal Beliefs
2	Beauty and Aesthetics: Definitions of Beauty	Families and Communities: Family Structures	Family and Community: Human Geography	Families and Communities: Global Citizenship
3	Contemporary Life: Entertainment and Fun	Beauty and Aesthetics: Fashion and Design	Science and Technology: Extreme Weather Conditions	Contemporary Life: Way of Life
4	Science and Technology: Technology and Self	Science and Technology: Healthcare and Medicine	World Challenges: Food and Economy	World Challenges: Social Consciousness
5	World Challenges: Population and Demographics	Personal and Public Identities: Heroes and Historical Figures	Contemporary Life: Education and Professional Careers	Science and Technology: Discoveries and Inventions
6	Personal and Public Identities: National Identity and Ethnic Identity	World Challenges: Social Well-Being	Personal and Public Identities: Alienation and Assimilation	Beauty and Aesthetics: Language and Literature