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URL: http://www.school-portal.co.uk/GroupHomepage.asp?GroupID=145712	
Learning Focus: The aim of this activity was to encourage Listening Skills in MFL by Podcasts	
Curriculum Focus: MFL > French	
Tools used: Sound recorder	



How this worked in practice: MFL attainment in Key Stage 3 has risen over the past three years from 62% L5+ to 71% as the LP has been used at Bradon Forest. Students have the opportunity now to access audio files showcasing different levels for speaking tests. As a result students are well prepared and understand exactly what they need to do for their speaking assessments. Written work has been improved by collaborative projects, enabling students to learn the skill of redrafting their own and other students' work.

In Key Stage 4 the MFL team noticed that the speaking exam results were not as good as other skills and produced audio files of staff asking all of the speaking exam questions. In addition the German foreign language assistant was videoed playing the role of a student taking their speaking exam. Again this has shown students exactly what is required of them under exam condition. Listening material has also been uploaded with a bank of self-assessment materials in French for independent study.

Often parents will comment that they cannot help their child prepare for MFL exams and with the Learning Platform there are now a wide range of materials to assist students prepare fully for assessments and exams in different skill areas.

By the end of this sequence of work children had developed skills in:

French: Reading Information, Writing for an audience, Listening Comprehension

Learning: Researching, Reflecting, Collaborating, Communicating

Next Steps: The children could make their own podcasts to develop speaking skills