Bonjour! In IB French we study five required themes. These same themes are used for both SL and HL. Naturally, we do different readings and writings in HL, but the themes remain the same for each year.

For the fall semester, we will study

- 1. Identities: Explore the nature of the self and what it is to be human.
- 2. Experiences: Explore and tell the stories of the events, experiences and journeys that shape our lives.
- 3. Human ingenuity: Explore the ways in which human creativity and innovation affect our world.

In the spring semester, we will study

- 4. Social organization: Explore the ways in which groups of people organize themselves, or are organized, through common systems or interests.
- 5. Sharing the planet: Explore the challenges and opportunities faced by individuals and communities in the modern world.

In HL French, we also read two novels, <u>L'Etranger</u> (Camus) and <u>Stupeur et Tremblements</u> (Nothomb).

The syllabus for the spring semester also includes time for the Individual Oral Commentary, which represents 25% of the student's score on the IB French Exam.

General information regarding coursework and grading:

- 1. We will access our textbook, <u>Le Monde en français</u>, second edition, with a series of steps to be provided later this week.
- We will have three major grades each nine weeks: one oral, one writing and one reading comprehension task. Each major grade is modeled on the corresponding IB French Exam tasks.
- 3. We will have at least ten daily grades each nine weeks.