



SAY "OUI" TO START OR CONTINUE LEARNING FRENCH

Dear friends,

Due to the current events, *all* of our schedules have changed. Many of us now have time available to learn a new language or to resume studies that we once cherished but put on the shelf for only a little while. Let's enlarge our world together, shall we?

With online audio-visual classes via Zoom, Alliance Française of Greater Orlando (AFGO) is offering you an enlightening opportunity.

Some of the reasons why you should consider starting or continue learning French as an adult:

- Because the French language circles the globe and is spoken by 260 million people on five continents.
- It is an international language used in many businesses and international organizations.
- With French you will be introduced to one of the richest cultures of the Western world.
- Learning a new language exercises the brain helping to keep it sharp throughout one's entire life.

Some reasons to enroll your children (4 to 16 year old) in our French classes:

It has been proven by new scientific studies that multilingual people are better at reasoning, multitasking, grasping and reconciling conflicting ideas.

- They work faster and expend less energy doing so.
- As people grow through adolescence into adulthood, they retain stronger cognitive faculties as they age.
- Learning a language at an early age has a positive effect on intellectual development.
- The younger they start, the more proficient they will become.
- Being able to understand different languages and cultures prepares them to be part of our modern world.
- It also improves a child's understanding of his/her native language.

Our classes are taught by experienced and passionate teachers of French. The online environment of Zoom offers limitless possibilities for the teachers and the students to share a real classroom experience: an interactive white board, the ability to display texts, images, videos, music, PowerPoint, etc.

Like our regular on-site classes, the online ones offer you the possibility of opting for private tutoring; semi-private teaching if you want to join with a family member, or a friend; and a group class of 4 to 8 students.

AFGO is one of the 1,037 Alliance Francaise chapters worldwide, headquartered in Paris, with 120 chapters in the US. Founded in 1959 in Orlando, it had one objective: to promote French culture in Central Florida.

AFGO has two primary divisions:

- The school where our students are taught not only the language but the culture and history surrounding it.
- An organization comprised of students, AFGO members and teachers who attend our many events, both indoor and outdoor, to socialize, have fun, and practice the language they enjoy.

When we receive authorization, our office, situated in downtown Orlando, will reopen its doors and we will resume conducting classes inside the building. We will also give you the possibility of continuing with online learning. Until then, we are offering a unique opportunity for those with a desire to learn and grow in the comfort of their own homes.

At the same time we will resume our social events: monthly movie nights and picnics, and major events.

For more information, please visit our website at www.aforlando.org and go to the contact page, or send us an email at contactafgo@gmail.com.

It's time to seize the chance of starting or resuming your amazing linguistic journey!

Stay safe.

Kind regards,

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