Lesson Plan: French 1  Topic: Au Café and Regional Cuisine  Day:  1

Materials needed:

1. Computers with internet access
2. Copies of vocabulary sheet

Objectives (Students will):

1. Consider prior knowledge about the food culture in France, why cuisine varies so greatly depending on the region, and how regional cuisine is greatly influenced by neighboring countries.
2. Preview some of the words, phrases and ideas which will be taught in this unit.

Resources:

1. Online pretest
2. Slide show (schema activation activity) “Food For Thought”
3. Vocabulary sheet

Activities:

1. Pretest: 15 minutes
2. Schema Activation Activity: 5 minutes
3. Optional discussion

Helpful links and extension activities:

*Before the unit begins, ask students to discuss what food they would consider to be typically “American.” Where did this food come from? What outside influences are found in American cuisine and why?

*Have students brainstorm a list of French foods that they are familiar with. Keep this list to compare with the foods introduced and encountered in this unit.

*Hand out the vocabulary sheet and have students fill out or guess words that they may know.