

## OUR COLLECTIONS

The library offers a collection of 28,000 items for all ages and levels of French. Visit our website for latest acquisitions, thematic selections, recommendations, in-depth guidance on the blog, and new, dedicated sections for families and children.

## MEMBERSHIP AND ACCOUNT

### Become a French Cultural Center Member:

- Visit our reception desk in person
- Call 617.912.0400
- Join online via the membership page on our website

Please contact us to receive a password to access your online library account as well as Culturethèque.

## LIBRARY CATALOG

Our catalog is accessible to everyone online, but members can use online services to place holds. The catalog can be accessed at: <http://frenchculturalcenter.org/library/>

Members may access their accounts by entering their login and password on our physical library catalog. Other catalog features include making comments, lists and purchase suggestions.

## CULTURETHÈQUE

This platform brings you magazines, comic books, children's picture books, concert videos, books, cartoons and much more! Members receive access to thousands of resources to stream or download.

**Culturethèque.com** is exclusive to more than 27 Alliance Française libraries in the U.S. For more information, pick up the Culturethèque User Guide at the circulation desk.



**BONNE  
LECTURE!**

## BROWSING AND BORROWING

We welcome everyone to visit the library, browse our collections, and consult the catalog and the librarian.

Borrowing privileges are reserved for members of the French Cultural Center. Different levels of membership have different borrowing limits, as explained below:

| MEMBERSHIP TYPE | TOTAL NUMBER OF DOCUMENTS |
|-----------------|---------------------------|
| Individual      | 7                         |
| Family          | 17                        |
| Institutional   | 22                        |

Borrowing privileges also include unlimited access to Culturethèque, the online library and newsstand.

## RENEWALS, HOLDS AND RETURNS

Materials will be automatically renewed if they have not been reserved by another patron, following the rules below:

| DOCUMENT TYPE          | LOAN PERIOD | RENEWALS |
|------------------------|-------------|----------|
| Books, CDs & Magazines | 3 weeks*    | 1        |
| DVDs & Games           | 2 weeks     | N/A      |

\* Institutional members may borrow books, CDs and magazines for 4 weeks.

Members can reserve items through their online account, or by calling or emailing the library. Upon request, holds placed by email or phone can be picked up at reception during open hours (including hours when the library is closed).

Members who cannot return items during library hours may leave them in the drop box by the front door of the Center or mail them to:

53 Marlborough St.  
Boston, MA 02116

## FINES AND CHARGES

### Fines apply for all overdue materials.

- \$1.00/day for DVDs
- 10¢/day for all other materials

### Lost items must be replaced.

- \$20.00 per lost book, CD or cassette
- \$30.00 per lost DVD
- \$5.00 per lost magazine

Material that is overdue for a month or longer will lead to a suspension of library privileges.

## ACTIVITIES

**Bouillon de Lectures.** *Book Club in French.* Intermediate level of French required. Free.

**Un Mois, Un Livre.** *Workshop in French.* Monthly, Wednesdays 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM Intermediate level of French required. \$20.00

**Atelier Découverte.** *Discovery workshop in French.* Intermediate level of French required. Free.

Check our website for more exciting events taking place in the library!

## OTHER SERVICES

**Reference Services.** We encourage patrons to make use of the library's many resources for information about France and francophone culture in person, over the phone or by email.

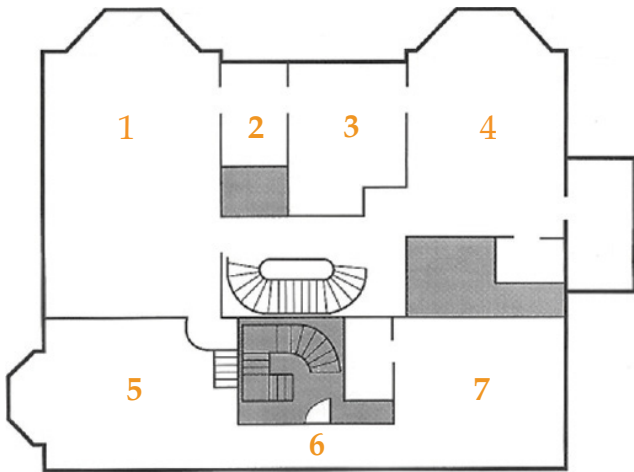
**Copying.** Library staff can make copies upon request at a cost of 10¢ per copy. Total number of copies is limited to 15.



### QUESTIONS?

Contact our librarian:  
617.912.0417

[librarian@frenchculturalcenter.org](mailto:librarian@frenchculturalcenter.org)



## LIBRARY HOURS

| September - June Hours |        |
|------------------------|--------|
| Monday                 | Closed |
| Tuesday - Thursday     | 10 - 7 |
| Friday & Saturday      | 10 - 5 |
| Sunday                 | Closed |

| July Hours        |        |
|-------------------|--------|
| Monday - Thursday | 10 - 7 |
| Friday            | 10 - 5 |
| Saturday          | Closed |
| Sunday            | Closed |

The Library will be closed during August so be sure to stock up in July! Members are allowed to borrow twice as many items and keep them until September.

The whole Center is closed on all Massachusetts holidays.

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DISCOVER OUR COLLECTIONS,  
RESOURCES AND POLICIES



## LIBRARY MAP

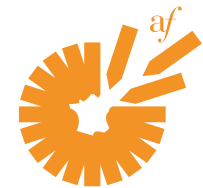


- ① Reading Room  
Novels, CDs, Audiobooks
- ② Theatre, Correspondance, Journals
- ③ Literature (criticism), Poetry, DVDs
- ④ Language Learning, Cooking, Graphic Novels, Arts
- ⑤ Children's Collection
- ⑥ Young Adults' Collection
- ⑦ Biography, Social Sciences, History, Geography, Tourism
- First Floor Reading Room  
Magazines, Newspapers



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