# Home learning - FRENCH

This 'activities menu' reflects what each year group is working towards but you can choose from any year group. Learning a language is fun, so ANY kind of practice saying words and listening to ANY French is cartoons, great: songs, poems, little conversations - whatever you like! There is no pressure to complete every task and don't worry too much about pronunciation!



Go straight to your year group page, or read the online tips.

**Online**: Online tools can help with pronunciation and translation. Google translate is ok, <u>https://www.collinsdictionary.com/dictionary/english-french</u> is better, and a really good dictionary that gives you language in context is <u>https://www.linguee.com/english-french</u>

**Youtube**: Pinpin et Lili, Tagadatsointsoin, Comptines et Chansons are good channels to try for stories and nursery rhumes. There are lots of popular cartoons available in French too (Peppa Cochon, Lucky Luke...)

**Apps**: DuoLingo is fun for older learners (Y5/6), though the sentences are very contrived! There are some apps for younger learners that at least have some free activities before you pay. Worth a try are: FirstFrench, FunFrench, PillipopFrench.

Without the need for any resources, you can adapt memory/travel games. How about: naming the colours you see, seeing how many French words you can remember (maybe for a certain topic e.g. animals), or adapting counting games to use French numbers.

Finally, it's always fun to animate a picture with what you're saying. I love using ChatterKid.

## Amusez-vous bien !

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KL9wwjPSuNU handwashing song for Early Years

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fQC\_oU0NbFA handwashing for KS1 (join in the counting)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QvTRTHWUVPc Minions sing Happy Birthday in French

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C7SUpUouL6g handwashing rap for UKS2

# RECEPTION

### Some words to practise:

- bonjour, salut, au revoir
- je m'appelle ... et toi?, ça va?, Bonojr salut song: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l0a4jv-h4Ro
- merci, s'il vous plaît
- madame, monsieur



A song to listen to: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uJKfxtYAt0s</u> Sur le pont d'avignon. Try creating a dance routine to show the famous bridge and the gentlemen and ladies dancing on it.

A finger rhyme to play: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ej15Mp0Zjpw</u> (Play this with two fingers on one hand 'sitting' on the other fist. Sing 'bonjour' to make them come back again).

A classroom game: Pass the phone Pass a toy phone around and when the music stops, the person with the phone has to start the conversation by saying hello and introducing themselves.

**Some facts to find out**: Where is France on a map of Europe? What is its capital city?





#### Some words to practise:

- 1 15: un, deux, trois, quatre, cinq, six, sept, huit, neuf, dix: onze, douze, treize, quatorze, quinze 1-20 song
- blanc, bleu, gris, jaune, marron, noir, orange, rose,rouge, vert, violet, l'arc-en-ciel, multicolore



A classroom game: *Countdown* Count backwards from 5 in French and blast off like a rocket (blast off = "La fusée décolle!"); *Colour hunt & colour splat* Say a colour in French and the other 'player/s' search for an object of that colour. You can then sit in a circle and arrange the objects in the middle. Say a colour and the other player (or up to 2 players) has to 'splat' or grab an object of that colour as quickly as they can.

A finger rhyme to play: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4hLKKpz77u0</u> Mr Thumb is sleeping.

A song to sing: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KBVTs11huwQ</u> 5 snails on a cabbage (like 10 Green Bottles)

**Some facts to find out:** Which countries border France in Europe? Do any of them speak French?\* (Answers at the end of this document.)





### Some words to practice:

- la banane, la carotte, la fraise (strawberry), le haricot vert (green bean), la pêche (peach), le petit pois (pea), la poire (pear), la pomme (apple), la pomme de terre (potato)
- Some of these on this 'find the fruit' intro & game <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VIv9F283L08</u>
- Je voudrais... (I would like...)

A game to play: *Cache-cache.* (Hide and seek). Count to 10 in French and shout 'j'arrive' (sharreev) to say when you are looking for people.

**A memory game**: Au marche (I went to market) Take it in turns to say what you would like to buy at market. Two versions of the game: either try not to repeat the thing that has just been said. Or, you must repeat what has just been said and then add your own. The next turn must repeat both previous items and then add their own too etc etc.

Start each turn by saying, "Au marché je voudrais..." (o marshay, juh voodray) = At market, I would like...

A song to sing: Two versions of an éléphant counting song https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ns92r5TQH3k https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ib3zBfCY3AE

**Some facts to find out:** Can you find the capital city, Paris, on a map of France? What do tourists like to do and see in Paris? See if you can find pictures of these, or draw a picture of the one you would most like to visit: le Centre Pompidou, le Louvre (virtual tour <u>https://www.louvre.fr/en/visites-en-ligne</u>), la Tour Eiffel, les Catacombes, l'Arche de Triomphe.



### Some words to practice saying:

- janvier, février, mars, avril, mai, juin, juillet, août, septembre, octobre, novembre, décembre Months song: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7\_u2SigckNQ
- Année (year), mois (month), saison (season), hiver (winter), printemps (spring), été (summer), automne (autumn)



Numbers 1-20 song <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dhj9SqrlZql&t=7s</u>

**A game to play:** Jeux de chat 'Cat games'. These are all like tag with variations popular in France. THe person who is on is the cat, *le chat.* The people being chased are the mice, les souris. Every time a new cat is tagged, they must shout 'chat' to announce a new chaser.

- Chat perché (Perching cat) You are on den if your feet do not touch the ground.
- *Chat blessé* (Injured cat) Whenever you are tagged, you must always move with a pretend injury to that part of the body for the duration of the whole game, regardless of whether you become a mouse again or are tagged to be the cat.

An activity to try: <u>http://www.freewordsearches.net/wordsearch/french-months-and-</u> <u>seasons</u> online wordsearch NB: there are no accents on the words even though accents ARE part of the spelling in French!

**Some facts to find out:** What can you find out about the composer of this fantastical piece about an Animal Carnival? <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K\_jqpDEP-IM</u>



Name: Nationality:

Famous works:

What did he think about his most famous work, Carnaval des Animaux?

How many animals can you name (in French!) that are featured in the Carnaval?

Which is your favourite 'movement' (i.e. which piece of animal music) do you like the most in the Carnaval?



Year 4

### Some words to learn to say:

- il est une heure, il est deux heures, il est trois heures ....(don't restart at 1 after noon; in French you keep to the 24h clock!)
- Quelle heure est-il? <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ESXOOyoE9t8</u>
- Midi (noon), minuit (midnight)
- Days of the week Monday Sunday: lundi, mardi, mercredi, jeudi, vendredi, samedi, dimanche <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Lpwf5N0rfVE</u>

A game to play: Quelle heure est-il, Monsieur Loup (What's the time Mr Wolf). One player turns their back to the other/s and is the wolf. The other players take it in turns to ask 'quelle heure est-il, Monsieur Loup' (kel ur etill Muhshur Loo) and when Mr Wolf tells them the time they take the amount of steps - and count them out in French - as indicated by the time i.e. Il est onze heures = 11 steps.

An online activity to try: <u>https://www.logicieleducatif.fr/eveil/geographie/jours-de-la-semaine.php</u> Put the French days of the week in order.

**Some facts to find out:** Do we write days and months with capital letters in French? What does 'Mardi Gras' in French? What do we call it in English and do France and England celebrate this special day in the same way? This link to a recipe might help! <u>https://cuisine.journaldesfemmes.fr/recette/333415-recette-de-crepes-la-meilleure-recette-rapide</u>



# Year 5

In Year 5, pupils can revisit all of the core vocabulary by using the Youtube links for other year groups:

- Days of the week
- Months of the year



- Numbers 1-20 (write your own sums: Plus (plooss), moins (mwan), egal (eh-gal))
- Ask when is your birthday <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uq1Pf1i-w2A">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uq1Pf1i-w2A</a>

They can also complete this quest from Lightbulb Languages. They will receive a sticker or a sweet from me in school if they show me a completed sheet after the Easter holidays.

| France Quest     |  |  |  |
|------------------|--|--|--|
| What are these ? |  |  |  |
| banon            |  |  |  |
| roquefort        |  |  |  |
| rooster          |  |  |  |
| pétanque         |  |  |  |
| ratatouille      |  |  |  |
| croissant        |  |  |  |
| pelota           |  |  |  |
| TGV              |  |  |  |

Provide some evidence of you playing a French game (Try a 'jeu de chat', 123 Soleil, La Marelle or even boules)

| Who were these people ? |  |  |
|-------------------------|--|--|
| Napoleon                |  |  |
| Marianne                |  |  |
| Claude Monet            |  |  |
| Charles Perrault        |  |  |
| the Lumière brothers    |  |  |
| Descartes               |  |  |

**Art**: Do a drawing inspired by one of the above. Maybe in the style of Monet's watercolours, or featuring Perrault's characters, or depicting one of the others or something they are famous for.

Geography: How come France shares a border with Suriname and Brazil in South America?

| Find the answers to the questions:          |   |  |
|---|---|--|
| What is the capital of France ?             |   |  |
| What is the Tour de France ?                |   |  |
| What is France's longest river ?            |   |  |
| Where is the film festival held each year ? |   |  |
| Where can you see cave paintings ?          |   |  |
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Revisit the same vocabulary as Y5, have a go at the reading task in the speech bubble, try the recipe for yoghurt cake and have fun revising your English and



Maths. Try Debussy for study as background music whilst you revise :) Bonne chance!

What does Marie say about herself? Find out what is 'le scoubidou' and 'cache-cache'?



### \*Quiz answers

Year 1: 6 countries have a land border with France (Belgium, Germany, Switzerland, Spain, Italy, Luxembourg) and 2 principalities (Monaco, Andorra); the UK has a maritime border in The Channel. French is an official language in 5 of them: Belgium, Switzerland, Luxembourg, Monaco and Andorra.

### Gâteau au yaourt (Yoghurt Cake)

This easy cake is often the first cake made by French children. You simply use the Не yogurt pot to measure all the other ingredients.

#### Ingredients Gre

One small pot of natural yogurt (Then use the pot to measure the other Put ingredients.)

- we avc 2 pots castor sugar
- otł 3 eggs
- Po 1 tsp vanilla extract
- Re 3 pots plain flour
  - 2 tsp baking powder
  - ½ pot oil
  - A pinch of salt

(You can also add chocolate chips, chopped apples or other fruit )