

Rosa's Animal Adventure: French Vocabulary

Learning objective: To identify, spell, and use French nouns for common animals accurately within the context of Year 4 French.

Rosa the parrot is helping you learn the names of animals in French! Use the word bank to help you answer the questions below. Remember to include the correct determiner (un/une) where needed.

Word bank: un chien (dog) · un chat (cat) · un lapin (rabbit) · un oiseau (bird) · un cheval (horse) · une souris (mouse) · un poisson (fish) · une tortue (tortoise)

1. Rosa wants to know which animal is a 'cheval'. Write the English name for this animal. (1 mark)

2. Translate these three animals into French, making sure to include 'un' or 'une':

1. A cat:

2. A fish:

3. A mouse: (3 marks)

3. Look at the word 'oiseau'. Does it start with a vowel or a consonant? Why is it important to know this when choosing between 'un' and 'une'? (2 marks)

4. If you have 'un lapin' and you find another one, you have two. How would you write 'two rabbits' in French? (Hint: The word for two is 'deux'). (2 marks)

5. Choose your favourite animal from the word bank and write a short sentence in French saying 'I have a...', for example: 'J'ai un...'. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw your favourite animal from the list and label it in French with its name, for example: 'C'est un chien'.



Extension challenge: Research one more animal in French that is not in the word bank and write a sentence about it. Can you find out what the French word for 'lion' is?