

Bonjour, Mes Amis! Greetings in French

Learning objective: To learn and use common French greetings to introduce ourselves and ask how others are feeling.

Read the conversation below between Rosa the parrot and her friends. Use the word bank to help you understand the French phrases, then answer the questions to show what you have learned.

Rosa the parrot flew down to the forest clearing to meet her friends. She landed on a branch and chirped, 'Bonjour, tout le monde!' Max the monkey swung down and replied, 'Salut, Rosa! Comment ça va?' Rosa smiled and said, 'Ça va bien, merci! And you?' Max did a little somersault and answered, 'Ça va très bien!' Just then, Leo the lion joined them. Rosa introduced them: 'Leo, this is Max. Max, this is Leo.' Leo bowed his head politely and said, 'Enchanté!'

Word bank: Bonjour - Hello / Good morning · Salut - Hi / Bye (informal) · Comment ça va? - How are you? · Ça va bien - I am well · Enchanté - Pleased to meet you · Au revoir - Goodbye

1. What does Rosa say when she first arrives to greet everyone? (1 mark)

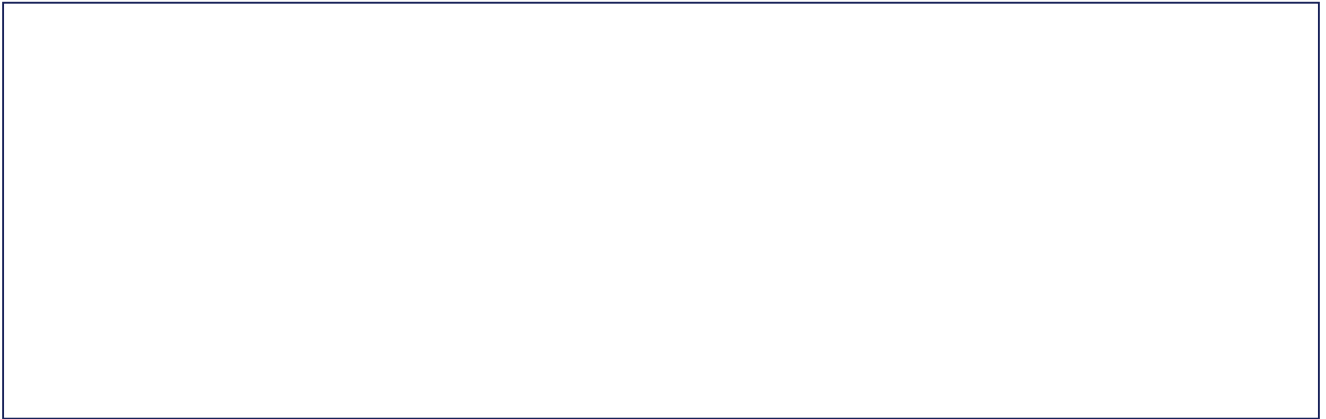
2. Max asks Rosa 'Comment ça va?'. What does this phrase mean in English? (1 mark)

3. If someone says 'Ça va bien' to you, how are they feeling? (1 mark)

4. Why do you think Leo says 'Enchanté' when he meets Max? (2 marks)

5. Write a short dialogue in French between two friends meeting for the first time, including a greeting, asking how they are, and saying goodbye. (3 marks)

Draw: Draw a speech bubble next to Rosa the parrot. Inside the bubble, draw a scene of her greeting a friend and write the French phrase 'Bonjour!' in colourful letters.



Extension challenge: Research one other way to say goodbye in French besides 'Au revoir'. Can you find out what time of day you would use the phrase 'Bonsoir'?