

Rosa's Animal Adventure: French Vocabulary Challenge

Learning objective: To identify, spell, and categorise common animal names in French, and to use them in simple descriptive sentences.

Join Rosa the parrot as she explores the animal kingdom! Use your knowledge of French animal vocabulary to complete the following exercises. Ensure you include the correct articles (le, la, or l') where appropriate.

Word bank: le chien · le chat · le lapin · le lion · l'oiseau · la souris · le cheval · l'éléphant · le poisson · la tortue

1. Rosa is teaching a song about pets. Translate these three words into French: 1. The dog, 2. The cat, 3. The rabbit. (3 marks)

2. Categorise the words from the word bank into two groups: 'Animaux de la ferme' (farm animals) and 'Animaux sauvages' (wild animals). Justify why you placed 'le cheval' in your chosen category. (4 marks)

3. Fill in the blanks to complete these sentences: 'J'aime _____' (I like the...) and 'Je n'aime pas _____' (I do not like the...). Choose one wild animal and one pet. (2 marks)

4. Compare and contrast: Explain why we use 'le' for some animals and 'l' for others (like 'l'éléphant'). What is the grammatical rule regarding the letter 'e'? (3 marks)

5. Max the monkey wants to write a French poem. If he describes a lion as 'grand' (big), suggest one other French adjective that could describe the lion's appearance. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a scene featuring a French farm. Include a 'cheval', a 'lapin', and a 'souris'. Label each animal in French using your best handwriting.



Extension challenge: What might happen if we tried to use the article 'le' before 'éléphant'? Write a short paragraph explaining the importance of elision in French. Then, create a new animal fact file in French for an animal not listed in the word bank, including its name, its habitat, and one thing it likes to eat.