

Rosa's Family Tree Challenge

Learning objective: To identify and use French vocabulary for family members and describe family relationships accurately.

Rosa the parrot is creating a family portrait! Look at the vocabulary bank and match the French family terms to the correct descriptions. Use the 'Greater Depth' questions to explain the family connections in French using possessive adjectives (mon, ma, mes).

Word bank: la mère (mother) · le père (father) · le frère (brother) · la sœur (sister) · le grand-père (grandfather) · la grand-mère (grandmother) · le bébé (baby) · la famille (family)

1. Rosa says: 'Voici mon frère.' Translate this sentence and explain how you know if the subject is male or female. (2 marks)

2. If Rosa introduces her mother, she says 'C'est ma mère.' Why do we use 'ma' instead of 'mon' in this sentence? Justify your answer using grammatical rules. (2 marks)

3. Compare and contrast: How would you describe a sibling relationship in French using the word 'frère' or 'sœur'? (2 marks)

4. What might happen if you used the wrong gender for a family member in French? Explain the impact on the listener. (2 marks)

5. Create a sentence to introduce your grandfather and your grandmother using the correct French possessive adjectives. (2 marks)

6. Justify why it is important to learn the gender of nouns (le/la) when learning French vocabulary. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a creative 'Family Tree' for Rosa the parrot. Label each bird in the tree using the French vocabulary provided in the word bank.



Extension challenge: Write a short paragraph in French (4-5 sentences) describing your own family. Include at least three different family members and mention one thing you enjoy doing together as a family.