

Rosa's Number Adventure: French Numbers 1–30

Learning objective: To recall, write, and use French numbers from 1 to 30 in mathematical contexts.

Help Rosa the parrot learn her numbers! Use the word bank to translate the numbers, solve the French maths problems, and answer the challenge questions.

Word bank: un (1) · deux (2) · trois (3) · quatre (4) · cinq (5) · six (6) · sept (7) · huit (8) · neuf (9) · dix (10) · onze (11) · douze (12) · treize (13) · quatorze (14) · quinze (15) · seize (16) · dix-sept (17) · dix-huit (18) · dix-neuf (19) · vingt (20) · vingt et un (21) · vingt-deux (22) · vingt-trois (23) · vingt-quatre (24) · vingt-cinq (25) · vingt-six (26) · vingt-sept (27) · vingt-huit (28) · vingt-neuf (29) · trente (30)

1. Rosa has some coins. If she has 'dix' pounds and adds 'neuf' pounds, how much money does she have in total? Write the answer in French words. (2 marks)

2. Solve this calculation in French: 'Douze' plus 'huit' equals what? Write your answer as a word. (2 marks)

3. Max the monkey has 25 bananas. Write the number 25 in French. If he eats 4, how many are left? Write the remaining number in French. (4 marks)

4. Compare and contrast: Explain why 'vingt et un' is written differently to 'vingt-deux'. What pattern do you notice about how numbers 21–29 are formed? (4 marks)

5. Justify your answer: If you were counting the number of days in a week and the number of fingers on two hands, would the sum be greater than 'trente'? Show your working. (4 marks)

6. What might happen if French numbers did not follow a consistent pattern after 'seize'? How would this change the way you learn to count to thirty? (4 marks)

Draw: Draw a shop window for Rosa the parrot. In the window, draw 14 apples, 16 oranges, and 22 pears. Label each group of fruit with the correct French number word.



Extension challenge: Imagine you are running a French market stall. Create a price list for five items using prices between £1 and £30. Write the price in both numerals (e.g., £15) and the French word (e.g., quinze). Write a short sentence explaining which item is the most expensive and why.