

Rosa's Favourite Things

Learning objective: To understand and use French opinion phrases to express preferences.

Read the text carefully, then answer the questions below. Remember to look for the French phrases Rosa uses to explain what she likes and dislikes.

Rosa the parrot is an expert at learning new languages. Today, she is teaching her friends all about expressing opinions in French. Rosa sits on a branch in the sunny forest and clears her throat. 'To tell someone what you think, you must use the right words!' she squawks cheerfully. 'For things that make me happy, I say J'adore or J'aime. For example, J'adore la pizza and J'aime les chats.' She flutters her colourful wings excitedly. 'But,' she continues, 'if something is not very good, you must be honest. I say Je n'aime pas the cold weather, and I really Je déteste cleaning my feathers in the rain!' Max the monkey listens closely, trying to remember the difference between liking a tasty snack and disliking a rainy day. Rosa explains that using these phrases helps people understand your feelings. Whether it is a fun game or a boring chore, Rosa believes that speaking French is a brilliant way to share your personality with the world. She finishes her lesson with a happy song, reminding everyone that learning a language is always an adventure.

Word bank: J'adore (I love) · J'aime (I like) · Je n'aime pas (I do not like) · Je déteste (I hate) · amusant (fun) · ennuyeux (boring)

1. According to the text, which two phrases does Rosa use when she is talking about things she likes? (2 marks)

2. What does Rosa say she really 'Je déteste' doing? (1 mark)

3. Why do you think Rosa tells her friends that they must be 'honest' when using French opinion phrases? (2 marks)

4. How does Max the monkey feel about the lesson, and how do you know? (2 marks)

5. Rosa says that learning a language is an 'adventure'. Do you agree with her? Give a reason for your answer. (3 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of Rosa the parrot sitting on a branch with a speech bubble showing something she loves (J'adore) and something she hates (Je déteste).



Extension challenge: Write three sentences in French about your own favourite hobbies using the phrases 'J'aime' or 'J'adore', and one sentence about a food you do not like using 'Je n'aime pas'.