

Rosa's Sporting Adventure in French

Learning objective: To learn and apply vocabulary for sports in French and use the phrase 'Je joue au/à la...' correctly.

Read the vocabulary list below carefully. Use your knowledge of French grammar and the word bank to complete the exercises. Remember that 'au' is used for masculine sports and 'à la' is used for feminine sports.

Word bank: Je joue au football (football) · Je joue au tennis (tennis) · Je joue au rugby (rugby) · Je joue à la pétanque (boules) · Je joue à la natation (swimming) · Je joue à la gymnastique (gymnastics)

1. Rosa is teaching her friends new sports. Translate the following sentences into French: 'I play football' and 'I play gymnastics'. (2 marks)

2. Explain why we use 'au' for football but 'à la' for gymnastique. Think about the gender of the nouns. (3 marks)

3. Max the monkey wants to play tennis. Write a full sentence in French to describe what he is doing. (2 marks)

4. Compare and contrast the sports listed in the word bank. Which ones are team sports and which are individual? Justify your classification. (4 marks)

5. What might happen if you used 'au' instead of 'à la' when talking about swimming? Discuss why accuracy is important in language learning. (3 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of Rosa the parrot wearing a sports kit, playing your favourite sport from the word bank. Label the sport in French next to her.



Extension challenge: Research one other sport in French not listed in the word bank. Write a short paragraph explaining why you chose it and include a sentence using 'Je joue à...' or 'Je joue au...' correctly.