

Rosa's Family Tree: La Famille

Learning objective: To identify and use French vocabulary for family members, and to describe relationships within a family unit.

Read the passage below about Rosa the parrot's family. Use the word bank to help you understand the French terms. Then, answer the questions in full sentences, using your knowledge of French and your reasoning skills.

Bonjour! I am Rosa. My family is very large and we love to travel together. My mother, Maria, is a brilliant linguist who taught me how to speak different languages. My father, Carlos, is a talented gardener. I have one brother named Mateo and two sisters, Sofia and Elena. My grand-père, Alejandro, tells the best stories about his travels across the globe, while my grand-mère, Lucia, paints beautiful pictures of our family adventures. In our house, we always say that la famille is the most important treasure of all.

Word bank: La mère - mother · Le père - father · Le frère - brother · La sœur - sister · Le grand-père - grandfather · La grand-mère - grandmother · La famille - family · J'ai - I have · Il s'appelle - he is called · Elle s'appelle - she is called

1. Identify two family members mentioned in the text and write their French names. Why do you think Rosa considers her family to be her 'most important treasure'? (2 marks)

2. Translate the following sentence into English: 'J'ai un frère qui s'appelle Mateo.' (2 marks)

3. Compare and contrast the roles of Rosa's parents based on the text. Use evidence to justify your answer. (3 marks)

4. If Rosa were to introduce her grandmother, Lucia, in French, what sentence would she use? (2 marks)

5. Explain why it is useful for Rosa to be bilingual when traveling with her large family. (3 marks)

Draw: Draw your own family tree, or a tree representing your favorite fictional group of friends. Label at least four members using the French vocabulary from the word bank provided.



Extension challenge: Imagine a new character joins Rosa's family. Write a short paragraph in English describing who they are and their role in the family. Then, create three new French sentences to introduce this character to your classmates, explaining their relationship to Rosa (e.g., 'C'est mon cousin...').