

Rosa's French Market Adventure

Learning objective: To use accurate vocabulary for shopping and prices in French, and to understand how to ask for items in a market setting.

Read the short story about Rosa the parrot visiting a French market. Use the word bank to help you answer the questions below. Remember to pay attention to the prices in pounds (£).

Rosa the parrot has flown to a bustling market in a French town. She is very hungry and wants to buy some snacks. She spots a stall selling fresh fruit and bread. Rosa lands on the counter and says, 'Bonjour! Je voudrais une pomme, s'il vous plaît.' The stallholder smiles and gives her a shiny red apple. Rosa asks, 'Combien ça coûte ?' The stallholder replies, 'C'est cinquante pence.' Rosa then points to a crusty loaf of bread and asks for one kilo. The bread costs £1.20. Rosa is happy with her shopping and flies off to share her lunch with her friends.

Word bank: S'il vous plaît (please) · Je voudrais (I would like) · Combien ça coûte ? (How much does it cost?) · La pomme (the apple) · Le pain (the bread) · Un kilo (one kilo) · C'est (it is)

1. What does Rosa ask for first at the market, and how do you say that in French? (2 marks)

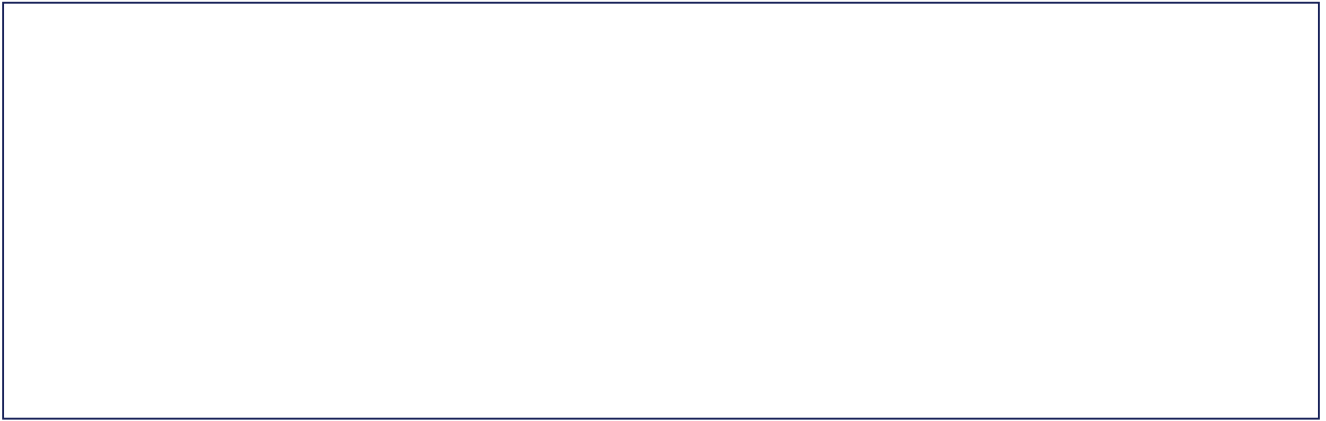
2. How much does the apple cost in pence? (1 mark)

3. Translate the phrase 'Combien ça coûte ?' into English. (1 mark)

4. If Rosa buys the apple (50p) and the bread (£1.20), what is the total cost of her shopping in dollars and cents? (2 marks)

5. Why do you think it is important to say 's'il vous plaît' when shopping in a market? (2 marks)

Draw: Draw the market stall that Rosa visited. Include the apple and the bread, and add a sign showing the prices in £ and pence using French words.



Extension challenge: Imagine you are at a French market. Write a short dialogue of four lines between you and a stallholder where you buy two different items and ask how much they cost.