

Grade 3 French Assessment: Quel temps fait-il?

Learning objective: To identify, describe, and write about weather patterns in French.

Read each question carefully. Write your answers clearly in French or English as requested. You have 30 minutes to complete this assessment.

Rosa the parrot is flying across France to visit her friends. In Paris, she needs a coat because it is cold. When she reaches the south, she wears her sunglasses because it is very sunny. As she flies over the mountains, she sees white flakes falling and realizes it is snowing.

Word bank: Il fait beau - It is nice weather · Il fait mauvais - It is bad weather · Il fait chaud - It is hot · Il fait froid - It is cold · Il pleut - It is raining · Il y a du soleil - It is sunny · Il y a du vent - It is windy · Il neige - It is snowing

1. Using the passage, translate the weather conditions Rosa experienced in French: 1. It is cold. 2. It is sunny. 3. It is snowing. (3 marks)

2. If you were planning a holiday to the beach, which two weather phrases would you hope for? Write them in French. (2 marks)

3. Explain why the phrase 'Il fait' is used for some weather conditions but not others. Give an example of a weather condition that does not use 'Il fait'. (4 marks)

4. Compare and contrast the weather in winter and summer. Write two sentences in French describing each season. (4 marks)

5. Rosa is visiting a friend in Lyon. The weather report says it is windy and raining. Write a short dialogue in French where Rosa asks about the weather and her friend replies using the correct phrases. (5 marks)

6. Justify your answer: If the temperature is 30 degrees Celsius, why would it be incorrect to say 'Il fait froid'? (2 marks)

7. What might happen if the weather suddenly changed from 'Il y a du soleil' to 'Il pleut' during an outdoor picnic? Describe your reaction in one French sentence. (5 marks)

Draw: Draw a weather map of France featuring at least four different weather symbols. Label each symbol in French.



Extension challenge: Imagine you are a weather presenter on French television. Write a 50-word script predicting the weather for the whole country for tomorrow. Use a variety of weather phrases and justify why you would choose different clothes for these regions. Total: /25