

Year 5 French Assessment: Les Animaux (Animals)

Learning objective: To identify, describe, and categorise animals in French, and to express preferences using complex sentence structures.

Read each question carefully. Ensure you use the correct definite or indefinite articles (le, la, les, un, une, des). Write your answers clearly in the space provided.

Rosa the parrot is visiting a local wildlife park. She observes a lion, a rabbit, and a snake. She notes that the lion is very fast, the rabbit is cute, but the snake can be dangerous. Rosa prefers the parrot, of course, because she is intelligent!

Word bank: un chien (dog) · un chat (cat) · un lapin (rabbit) · un lion (lion) · un oiseau (bird) · un serpent (snake) · une souris (mouse) · un cheval (horse) · intelligent(e) (intelligent) · rapide (fast) · dangereux/dangereuse (dangerous) · mignon/mignonne (cute) · J'adore (I love) · Je déteste (I hate) · parce que (because)

1. Translate the following animals into French, including the correct article: 1. A cat, 2. A bird. (2 marks)

2. Rosa says the lion is fast. Write this sentence in French. (2 marks)

3. If you see a group of mice, how would you write 'the mice' in French? (2 marks)

4. Explain why we use 'un' for some animals and 'une' for others. Give one example of each. (4 marks)

5. Compare and contrast a horse and a snake using at least two adjectives in French. Ensure your grammar is accurate. (5 marks)

6. Justify your answer: Why might a scientist prefer studying a bird over a snake in the wild? Write your answer in French using 'parce que'. (5 marks)

7. Creative Writing: Describe your favourite animal. Include its name, two adjectives to describe it, and explain why you like it using a complex sentence. (5 marks)

Draw: Draw a scene featuring a lion and a rabbit. Label both animals in French using the correct articles.



Extension challenge: Imagine you are an explorer discovering a brand-new species of animal. Give it a French name, describe its appearance using three adjectives, and explain what it eats. Total: /25