

Une Visite au Marché: French Shopping Skills

Learning objective: To confidently use vocabulary for shopping, prices, and quantities in French, whilst applying mathematical reasoning to solve transactions.

Read each question carefully. Use your knowledge of French shopping vocabulary and your numeracy skills to solve the problems. Remember to use the correct currency format (£) for your answers.

Rosa the parrot is helping her friends at the local market. She needs to buy fruit and bread, but she must calculate the costs correctly to ensure she has enough money in her purse.

Word bank: Combien ça coûte? · Je voudrais... · S'il vous plaît · C'est trop cher · Un kilo de... · La monnaie · Le prix · Centimes

1. Rosa wants to buy three apples (les pommes). If one apple costs 40p, write the French sentence to ask the price and calculate the total cost in pounds and pence. (4 marks)

2. Translate the following request into French: 'I would like a kilo of carrots, please.' If the carrots cost £1.20, how much change would you receive from a £2.00 coin? (4 marks)

3. Explain why it is important to check 'la monnaie' (the change) after a transaction. Provide an example of how you would politely ask for a receipt in French. (3 marks)

4. Max the monkey wants to buy two loaves of bread at £1.50 each. He has a £5.00 note. Write a dialogue in French where Max asks for the bread and the shopkeeper tells him the total. (4 marks)

5. Compare and contrast: Why might a shopper say 'C'est trop cher' (It's too expensive) instead of just walking away? Justify how this feedback helps a market seller. (3 marks)

6. What might happen if you did not know the French words for numbers when shopping at a market in France? Describe a strategy you could use to ensure you pay the correct amount. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a vibrant French market stall scene. Include labels in French for at least four different items (e.g., les pommes, le pain, les carottes, les fraises) and include a sign showing the price of an item in £ and p.



Extension challenge: Design a 'Market Menu' for a French stall. Create five items with prices in pounds and pence. Write a short paragraph in French explaining why your chosen items are the best value for money, using comparative language (e.g., 'C'est moins cher que...').