

Rosa's French Adventure

Learning objective: To identify and understand basic French verbs in the present tense.

Read the short story about Rosa the parrot. Use the word bank to help you answer the questions. Write your answers in the boxes provided.

Rosa the parrot is a very busy bird. She loves to teach French to her friends. Today, Rosa is in the garden. She says, 'Look at the verbs!' A verb is a word that shows an action. In French, we use the present tense to talk about what is happening now. Rosa likes to chanter (sing) songs in the morning. When she is happy, she likes to danser (dance) on a branch. Sometimes, Rosa will manger (eat) a crunchy apple. She can also parler (speak) to the other animals in the forest. Rosa says, 'It is easy to learn French!' She explains that many French verbs end in -er. When she wants to say 'I sing', she says 'Je chante'. When she wants to say 'I eat', she says 'Je mange'. Rosa is happy to share her language skills with everyone. Learning a new language is a fun adventure for all the BookFlik friends.

Word bank: manger (to eat) · danser (to dance) · chanter (to sing) · parler (to speak) · verbe (verb) · présent (present)

1. Find two French verbs from the text that end in -er. Write them below. (2 marks)

2. What does Rosa do when she is feeling happy? Copy the French verb from the text. (2 marks)

3. Why do you think Rosa is a good teacher for her friends? (2 marks)

4. If Rosa is eating an apple, why does she use the present tense? (2 marks)

5. Do you think learning French is a good skill to have? Explain your answer. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of Rosa the parrot sitting on a branch holding a French flashcard. Show her doing one of the actions mentioned in the story, like singing or eating.



Extension challenge: Choose one French verb from the text. Can you write a sentence in English about what you like to do, and then try to write the French version using 'Je...'?