Rosa’s Radiant Calendar: Months of the Year in French

About 15 minutes. Grown-up tip: Ask your child to spot the months that look almost the same in English and French.

Look at our colourful calendar below! Practise saying the French words aloud with Rosa the parrot. Remember, French months do not start with a capital letter unless they begin a sentence. Example: 'janvier' (jan-vee-AY) is January.

■ The year begins with 'janvier'. Can you write down the French word for the month that comes after December?

■ Rosa loves to fly in the spring. Spring months in France are 'mars', 'avril', and 'mai'. Which of these months is your birthday month?

■ Look at the list. Which French month sounds most like the English word 'August' but is spelled 'août'?

■ In the UK, we start school after the summer holidays in 'septembre'. Write this month down carefully.

■ Think about the seasons. Can you name the French month that rhymes with 'day'? (Hint: Look at the list for May).

Did you know? Did you know? In French, the names of the months look very similar to English because both languages share many roots in Latin! Even though they look the same, remember to use your best French accent when you speak them.

Key vocabulary: janvier (jan-vee-AY) - January · février (fay-vree-AY) - February · mars (marss) - March · avril (ah-VREEL) - April · mai (may) - May · juin (zhwan) - June · juillet (zhwee-AY) - July · août (oot) - August · septembre (sep-TAHM-bruh) - September · octobre (ok-TOH-bruh) - October · novembre (no-VAHM-bruh) - November · décembre (day-SAHM-bruh) - December