Rosa's Magical Months: Learning the French Calendar

Learning objective: I can name and order the months of the year in French.

About 15 minutes. Grown-up tip: Practise the pronunciation of the months aloud together, focusing on the sounds provided in the word bank.

Read the passage with Rosa the parrot. To say 'In January', we say 'En janvier'. Use the word bank to help you complete the activities. Example: January = janvier (zhan-vee-ay).

Rosa the parrot is very busy! She loves to fly over the UK during the changing seasons. 'Bonjour!' says Rosa. 'In France, we love our months. Can you help me sort them for my nest?' Rosa flies from the cold snow of février to the bright flowers in mai. She loves the long summer days of juillet and the golden leaves in octobre.

Word bank: janvier (zhan-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-tom-bruh) - September · octobre (ok-tob-ruh) - October · novembre (no-vom-bruh) - November · décembre (day-som-bruh) - December

1. Rosa is flying in the spring. Which month is 'avril' in English? (1 mark)

2. Write the French word for the month that comes after 'mars'. (1 mark)

3. Complete the sentence using the word bank: 'Mon anniversaire est en _____.' (My birthday is in...) (1 mark)

4. Which month is 'décembre'? Is it in winter, spring, summer, or autumn? (2 marks)

5. Match these by drawing a line or writing the pair: 1. juin, 2. mai. Choices: A. May, B. June. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of a tree showing how it changes in 'mars' (spring) versus 'octobre' (autumn).

Extension challenge: Can you write a French sentence to tell Rosa your favourite month? Use: 'Mon mois préféré est...' (My favourite month is...)

I did it! **Name:** _____ **Date:** _____

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