Rosa the Parrot's French Action Adventure

1. manger = to eat; jouer = to play; aimer = to like; regarder = to watch. (2 marks)

Working: Matches based on the provided word bank.

1 mark for every 2 correct matches.

2. Je joue au football. (2 marks)

Working: Using the verb 'jouer' from the word bank.

1 mark for correct verb choice, 1 mark for correct spelling.

3. I like chocolate. (3 marks)

Working: J'aime = I like; le chocolat = the chocolate.

1 mark for 'I', 1 mark for 'like', 1 mark for 'chocolate'.

4. We use 'Je' because it is the French word for 'I'. It tells the reader who is doing the action. (4 marks)

Look for: The student must identify 'Je' as the pronoun for 'I'.

Good: It means I.

Better: We use 'Je' because it is the French word for 'I' in a sentence.

Best: We use 'Je' at the start because it is the pronoun for 'I', which tells us who is doing the action.

What moves an answer up: Moving up requires explaining the function of the word as a pronoun.

5. Je mange une pomme. Je joue au parc. Je regarde le film. (9 marks)

Working: Using the verbs manger, jouer, and regarder with 'Je'.

3 marks per sentence (1 for correct verb, 1 for grammar, 1 for sense).

6. It is important because French nouns have a gender. 'Le' is used for masculine nouns, and it helps us speak correctly. (5 marks)

Look for: Mentioning that French nouns have gender (masculine/feminine).

Good: Because words have genders.

Better: It is important because French words are either masculine or feminine and 'le' is for masculine.

Best: It is important because in French, nouns have a gender. 'Le' is used for masculine nouns, so we must know the gender to use the right word.

What moves an answer up: Moving up requires explaining the link between the article 'le' and the noun's gender.

What a secure answer looks like

A secure answer shows an understanding that 'Je' is the subject and the verb ending changes to match it. Students should be able to apply the word bank to simple sentence structures.

If your child is stuck

Ask the child to say the English sentence first, then find the French words in the word bank to match them one by one.

Common mistakes to watch for

Children often forget to include 'Je' before the verb, or they may try to translate word-for-word without considering French sentence structure.