

LISTENING/ SPEAKING/MEMORY



- Est-qu'il y a une boulangerie? = Is there a bakery?



- Dans ma ville il y a = In my town there is—
This can be followed by town vocabulary



WRITING/ MEMORY



- North, south, east and west are compass points on a map

- Putting ne... pas around the first verb in a sentence is one way to make it negative



- The conditional tense uses would, could & should

READING/ MEMORY



- J'aime, je n'aime pas, j'adore and je déteste are key opinions to identify likes and dislikes



- Many famous fairy tales are originally French

DIVERSITY



- Words like café and restaurant come from French

- Some words are similar to English or have a link e.g. la poste = post office, but others have no link e.g. la gare = train station

- Aller and faire are irregular verbs which don't follow the usual rules

- Literal translation is translating word for word in the same order

- Accents are used to indicate pronunciation or tense

INSPIRATIONAL PEOPLE



- Jean de Chelles lived in the 13th and 14th century and was credited with designing and constructing Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris.

- Charles Perrault (12th January 1628 —16th May 1703) was a French author who laid the foundations for the fairy tale genre. He is best known for writing Le Petit Chaperon Rouge (Little Red Riding Hood), Cendrillon (Cinderella), Le Maître chat ou le chat botté (Puss in Boots), La Belle au bois dormant (Sleeping Beauty) and Barbe Bleue (Bluebeard).

Key facts:

- France is also referred to as L'Hexagone (the hexagon) because of its shape
- There are 13 regions in France
- Nouvelle-Aquitaine is the largest region in France at 84.061km²
- Mayotte is the smallest region at 374m²
- Ile-de-France is the region with the largest population at 12,117,132 people (2016) - That's the same as the population of South Sudan!
- Mayotte is the region with the smallest population at 256,518 people (2016)
- France also has numerous overseas departments and territories across the world due to its former empire including Guadeloupe which is where the BBC series 'Death in Paradise' is filmed.
- Paris is the capital city of France
- The Louvre museum in Paris is the most visited museum in the world. Amongst its many exhibits and treasures is the world famous painting of the Mona Lisa by Leonardo Da Vinci.
- Lyon is the second largest city after Paris. It is located in the region of Auvergne-Rhone-Alpes and is on the UNESCO World Heritage List of historical legacy.

Key vocabulary and meanings

La ville —The town, **Aller*** — to go, **Faire*** — to do, **L'église** - the church, **Le collège** - the school, **La poste** - the post office, **Il était une fois** - once upon a time, **Le fin** - The end, **La Belle et la Bête** - Beauty and the Beast