

# French

Vocabulary Course

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#### Michel Thomas, 1914-2005

Michel Thomas, the internationally renowned linguist and language teacher, who was recently awarded the Silver Star by the US Army for his bravery in the Second World War, died of heart failure at his home in New York on 8th January. He was 90.

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### Introduction

**Bienvenue!** Welcome, to those of you who have completed the **Michel Thomas French courses** and **Language Builder** and to those of you who are about to experience a uniquely exciting way to learn and improve your French!

My name is Rose Lee Hayden, and I had the distinct privilege of working closely with Michel Thomas for several decades, in particular, teaching what he referred to as his 'second phase' language courses. This 'second phase' built upon the structural knowledge of the language that Michel Thomas so brilliantly provided in his foundation courses. As Michel Thomas himself often said, 'I built the house, but it is up to you to decorate it!'

And decorate it we shall in this **Michel Thomas Method: French Vocabulary Course** that reinforces and expands on what you have already learned having completed the **Michel Thomas French courses**. And for those of you who have not done these courses, I urge you to do so. You will be surprised at how painlessly they will teach or reinforce your French and will introduce you to a unique method of language learning.

At the outset, let me stress what this course does not attempt to do and how it may differ a little from your previous experiences with the **Michel Thomas French courses**. First, this course does not and cannot re-teach the original courses, but rather builds directly on them. Therefore, you may wish to review and keep reviewing your **Michel Thomas French courses** and **Language Builder** to re-familiarize yourself with structural items and basic vocabulary previously introduced by Michel Thomas.

Second, it is important to state that learning vocabulary is not the same as learning structure, even though this course teaches vocabulary the Michel Thomas way. You may find it helpful to review course content more frequently. But let me reassure you that this more frequent review is no reflection on your ability, but rather relates to the fact that you have moved on to another level of instruction with vocabulary acquisition as its basic goal. Throughout his 'second phase' instruction, Michel Thomas frequently

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asked his students to review and reinforce the basics before moving on. Because his methodology is cumulative, you must never rush ahead. Each building block in some way relates to previous content and uses it in a carefully constructed way.

Third, those of you who expect drills of each and every word in a category – family members, days of the week, and so on – don't! Michel Thomas actively discouraged memorization, rote learning, writing out lists and any and all related activities of this type. He knew that we do not learn this way, and that the stress generated by these means actually impedes learning. And while we would have liked to have been able to include more words in a category, space on audio recordings is limited, and we had to make hard choices with respect to what we could and could not include. We did not want to waste valuable learning time at the expense of introducing more strategic content designed to help you create words, structures and habits of learning on your own.

I dedicate this course to the memory of Michel Thomas and to all of you who have chosen to build your French vocabulary the Michel Thomas way.

Dr Rose Lee Hayden Series Editor

#### Who was Michel Thomas?



Michel Thomas was head of the Michel Thomas Language Centers and taught languages for over 50 years, primarily in New York, Beverly Hills and London until his recent death, aged 90. A graduate of the Department of Philology at the University of Bordeaux and student of psychology at the Sorbonne, his harrowing wartime experiences escaping Hitler and fighting with the French Resistance made mastering languages a matter of survival for Michel Thomas.

Michel Thomas dedicated his long professional life to probing the learning process. He focused on the teaching and learning of foreign languages as a perfect test case for his revolutionary learning system, one that made him the world's foremost language teacher to the celebrities, diplomats, corporate executives as well as others seeking to acquire or enhance their proficiency in another language.

#### What is the Michel Thomas Method?

The Michel Thomas Method is unlike anything you have ever experienced, especially when you compare it with how languages are traditionally taught in schools or universities. It produces startling results within a remarkably short period of time, all without the need for books, drills, memorizing, or homework. Michel Thomas believed that anyone can learn another language having learned their own, and he developed his unique methodology that proved this to be true for many thousands of students.

Learning a language the Michel Thomas way builds proficiency, self-confidence and engages you right from the start. The Michel Thomas Method breaks a language down to its component parts and presents these structures in carefully planned sets of exercises that enable you to reconstruct the language yourself, to form your own sentences that say what you want, when you want. Almost without you realizing it, you will retain

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and apply what you have learned and will be motivated to learn more. Without the stress of memorization, note taking and homework, you can relax and let language learning take place as nature intended.

But you have to experience the Michel Thomas Method to believe it. Within hours you will be creating sophisticated sentences in a wide variety of situations, as those of you know who have completed the **Michel Thomas language courses** and **Language Builders**. These courses provided you with functional proficiency in your chosen language, be it French, Italian, Spanish or German, and are the foundation upon which this **Michel Thomas Method: Vocabulary Course** series builds, phrase by phrase, the Michel Thomas way.

#### You already know a lot more French than you think you do!

The Michel Thomas Method is, above all, based on the commonality of Western languages. French shares many thousands of words with English, everyday words that you already know. This **Michel Thomas Method: French Vocabulary Course** provides dozens of tips to help you unlock what it is that you already know, to expand your French vocabulary exponentially with easy transformations that convert thousands of English words into their French equivalents. You will also learn how to pronounce and spell these new words. As Michel Thomas told you, one can attain functional proficiency in most languages by mastering no more than 500–1,500 words. A working knowledge of most languages – even your own – does not require the use of every word in the dictionary. Literally hundreds of additional words and expressions will be on the tip of your tongue as you build your French vocabulary the Michel Thomas way.

# How did we come to develop this *Michel Thomas Method: Vocabulary Course* series?

With nearly 1 million copies of **Michel Thomas language courses** sold in the UK alone, and with thousands of enthusiasts who never thought they could ever learn another language wanting 'more Michel', we at Hodder Arnold are particularly pleased to offer this new course series that preserves and extends the language teaching legacy of 'The Language Master', Michel Thomas. Working with us right up to the moment of his death aged 90,

Michel Thomas was in the process of creating a series of vocabulary courses building on his very successful language courses. Reflecting his prior input, this series is the product of a new team of authors and presenters who have either taught for Michel Thomas, or have utilized his methodology in their own classrooms and professional courses.

With this, our first post-Michel Thomas series, we hope to provide what Michel Thomas and his ever-expanding number of 'students' would expect of us, both as educational publishers and professionals who love languages, teaching them and learning them. We dedicate this series and others that we will be developing for schools, businesses and individuals from all walks of life to our much-esteemed and beloved 'Language Master', Michel Thomas.

#### Who is this *Michel Thomas Method: French Vocabulary Course* for?

People who have already learned French with Michel Thomas
This Michel Thomas Method: French Vocabulary Course does just
what its name suggests: builds on the content Michel Thomas presented in
the Michel Thomas Foundation Course: French, Michel Thomas
Advanced Course: French, and Michel Thomas French Language
Builder. This course covers over 1,000 words and everyday phrases within
the context of essential building blocks already presented by Michel
Thomas, and includes dozens of useful tools for converting English words to
their French equivalents. You can both reinforce what you have already
learned from your Michel Thomas Foundation courses and substantially
increase your French vocabulary the Michel Thomas way.

#### People who have learned French using other methods

You may have learned French before and want to brush up on it for a holiday or business trip. Perhaps you are looking for a new approach to help you with revision or to re-motivate you to dust off your French and improve your proficiency. Either way, the **Michel Thomas Method:**French Vocabulary Course will introduce you to a unique way of acquiring language proficiency that will provide dozens of helpful ways to unlock what it is you already know. Focusing on similarities between English and French, you will be able to increase your vocabulary exponentially, will

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learn or review over 1,000 words and everyday expressions, and will significantly boost your confidence in your ability to speak, listen to, read and understand French.

You may find that it takes a while to get used to the Michel Thomas way of teaching. It is innovative and quite unlike any other method you will have come across. But once you have experienced the excitement of painless learning the Michel Thomas way, you will be hooked!

#### What does this pack contain?

The pack comprises over six hours of recorded material on CD, plus this User Guide that contains all the concepts, words and phrases presented in the course. In these recordings, a narrator experienced in teaching the Michel Thomas way will introduce concepts that you will be learning, one by one, and will present helpful hints and handy tools that you can then use to create your own phrases and increase your French proficiency.

The narrator will guide you through three distinct course segments:

1) Cognates – vocabulary building using similarities between English and French; 2) Verbs; and 3) Everyday expressions – to top off your new vocabulary and help you avoid making common mistakes in French. Two native speakers, one female, one male, will repeat all words and phrases after a pause designed to allow you to come up with your own response based on prompts from the narrator. The correct response will then be repeated by the narrator to help set it in your mind.

This User Guide contains a detailed listing of all the content on the CDs, track by track, to help you locate and review what it is you wish to reinforce. It also features a detailed English–French glossary listing the 1,000 words covered in this course, words that were carefully chosen to increase your communication skills in French, as well as to improve your ability to listen and read for gist.

#### How are the recordings best used?

Relax! Make yourself comfortable before playing the recordings and try
to let go of the tensions and anxieties traditionally associated with
language learning.

- Do not write or take any notes. Remove notebooks, pens, dictionaries and anything else associated with traditional, school-based language learning.
- **Do not try to remember.** While participating in the recording and afterwards, it is important that you do not try to memorize specific words or expressions. It is a basic principle of the Michel Thomas Method that the responsibility for the student's learning lies with the teacher. Your learning is based on understanding, and what you understand you don't forget.
- Interact fully with the recordings. Use the pause button and respond out loud (or in a whisper, or in your head if you are in a public place) before hearing the correct response. *This is essential*. You do not learn by repetition but by thinking out the answers to each question; it is by your own thought process that you truly learn and retain structure and vocabulary.
- **Give yourself time to think.** You have all the time you need to think through your response. Your pause button is the key to *your* learning! Be sure to use it. We have inserted standard-length pauses for your responses. When you use the recordings for the first time, these pauses may not be long enough for you to work out your responses. But rather than waste valuable recording time with long silences, we suggest you use the pause button when you listen to the course for the first time, in a place and at a time when it is convenient and safe for you to do so. On subsequent hearings you will need less time to work out your response, and the pauses we have left should be long enough.
- Start at the beginning of the course. Whatever your existing knowledge of French, it is important that you follow the way the Michel Thomas Method builds up your knowledge of the language. The methodology is cumulative and recursive so you must not rush ahead before you feel comfortable that you have mastered a concept, phrase or word. This vocabulary course also encourages you to take additional time to create similar examples of your own to reinforce what is being presented.
- Do not get annoyed with yourself if you make a mistake.
   Mistakes are part of the learning process; as long as you understand why you made the mistake and you have the 'aha' reaction 'Yes, of course,

- I understand now' you are doing just fine. If you made a mistake and you do not understand why, you may have been daydreaming for a few seconds. As noted, the course is structured so that you cannot go on unless you fully understand everything. So just go back a little and pick up where you left off.
- Stop the recording whenever it suits you. Breaks in the CD recordings reflect the numbering and content listings in this User Guide. This will help you locate items you wish to review and will enable you to locate where you left off and where you wish to begin once again.

#### What can I expect to achieve?

The **Michel Thomas French courses** provided you with a practical and functional use of the spoken language. Using the Michel Thomas Method, this **French Vocabulary Course** introduces everyday conversational language that will improve your communication skills in a wide variety of situations, empowered by the ability to create your own sentences and use the language naturally. With this additional practice and review, plus over 1,000 words covered and the tools to create hundreds more, your proficiency in French will be reinforced and strengthened as will your self-confidence and desire to use your newly acquired French.

#### How can I go on to improve further?

Obviously, nothing compares with first-hand contact with native French speakers. And while you may not think that this is possible for you, think again. There are most likely many French speakers, French language clubs and associations in your local area. You need not go to Paris or to Marseille to find them. A simple advert in the local newspaper or on a relevant website offering to exchange English for French instruction may locate someone you will enjoy knowing and practising with – but do think about your own safety before giving away any personal details. As Michel Thomas noted, we learn a lot more about our own language when we learn another.

Michel Thomas also recommended a little daily practice – ten minutes at least – and knew that this was worth more than several hours of cramming after a period of time has gone by. He encouraged you to start reading, especially newspaper and magazine interviews that reflect French as it is actually being

spoken rather than textbook versions of the language. You can also keep up and extend your language by reading items in subject areas of personal interest to you, or you can buy a French translation of your favourite mystery writer. Michel Thomas knew and told you that the more you read, the more things will fall into place. And as he warned, fight that temptation to use your dictionary first and think last. You will be glad you did.

One last suggestion here. For really authentic practice, try to listen to French radio and television programmes that you may be able to receive if you live in a city or have satellite TV options. Relax and listen for gist, not word by word. You can do it! And little by little, *peu à peu*, you will understand what is being said. As Michel Thomas told you upon the completion of his French courses, you have all the tools you need to express yourself and have acquired many more having completed this course. We know that you will find it both rewarding and exciting to practise your ever-improving French!

#### What do Michel Thomas' students have to say?

Academy award winning director and actress, **Emma Thompson** (as quoted in *The Guardian*):

'The excitement of learning something new was overwhelming. Michel not only taught me Spanish, he opened my eyes to the possibilities of a completely different kind of learning. Michel takes the burden off the student and upon himself ... Learning Spanish with Michel was the most extraordinary learning experience of my life – it was unforgettable.'

Irish dance and music sensation, **Michael Flatley** (as quoted in *The Linguist*):

'He [Michel Thomas] was a genius ... a born teacher and thinker.'

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#### **Customer feedback on the Michel Thomas Method**

'I am writing to congratulate you on the highly original and successful language courses by Michel Thomas; I am currently working on German and French, while my daughter, at my suggestion, has bought the Italian course.'

R. Harris

'I have now finished the eight cassette Italian course and would like to say how pleased I am with it. I am a scientist, with all my neurons in the side of my brain that deals with understanding, and next to none on the side that deals with memory. This has meant my ability to retain vocabulary and learn a language has been about as bad as it comes. Against all odds, the Michel Thomas course has left me with a real sense of achievement, and a tremendous basis for further progress in learning Italian.'

T. A. Whittingham

'He doesn't put words in your mouth, he makes you work out the words to say yourself.'

Angie Harper

### Course contents

#### **Course segment 1: Cognates**

- 1 (CD 1, track 1)
  - Introduction
- 2 (CD 1, track 2)
  - Adjectives ending in -ible: impossible; incompréhensible; accessible
- 3 (CD 1, track 3-4)
  - Adjectives ending in -able: probable; acceptable; La voiture du professeur est réparable.
  - Transformation of English adjectives
  - Formation of adjectives ending in -able from -er verbs: négocier > négociable. Dans ce restaurant, la cuisine est tolérable, mais le bruit est insupportable.
- 4 (CD 1, track 5)
  - Transformation of adjectives beginning with un- and in-: incassable; inévitable
- 5 (CD 1, track 6)
  - Formation of adjectives ending in -able from -oir, -re and -ir verbs: concevable; vendable; croyable; faisable; indéfinissable
- 6 (CD 1, track 7)
  - Further transformation of English nouns and adjectives
  - Adjectives in -ant: Ce n'est pas très important pour moi.
     Stéphane est tolérant, mais je dois dire que Stéphanie est vraiment intolérante.
  - Nouns ending in -ant: un correspondant; un participant; un étudiant
- 7 (CD 1, track 8)
  - Nouns and adjectives ending in -ent: urgent; différent; le président. C'est évident que la situation internationale est urgente et que le président est incompétent.

- 8 (CD 1, track 9)
  - Nouns ending in -tion: une réservation; la condition; une action intelligente; ma conviction profonde
- 9 (CD 2, track 1)
  - Nouns ending in -sion: une dimension; une expression; La décision est urgente.
- 10 (CD 2, track 2)
  - Nouns ending in -ance and -ence: l'indépendance; une alliance;
     Il y a ici une différence que je ne peux pas comprendre.
- 11 (CD 2, track 3)
  - Professions: transformation of English nouns ending in -er and -or: un danseur; un directeur
- 12 (CD 2, track 4)
  - Further transformation of nouns ending in -ance: **l'importance**; **l'élégance**; **les distances**
- 13 (CD 2, track 5)
  - Transformation of adverbs in -ly: naturellement; automatiquement; absolument. Je suis totalement d'accord avec vous. Eventuellement, je peux vous donner des directions
- 14 (CD 2, track 6)
  - Transformation of adjectives and nouns ending in -ary: contraire; militaire; secrétaire. Au contraire, c'est absolument nécessaire.
  - Transformation of adjectives and nouns ending in -ory: Ses suggestions sont tellement contradictoires que c'est illusoire de penser que nous pouvons trouver une solution.
- 15 (CD 2, track 7)
  - Transformation of adjectives ending in -ive: exclusif; négatif. Les opinions de ma sœur sont très négatives.

- 16 (CD 2, track 8)
  - Transformation of adjectives ending in -ous: dangereux; courageux.
     Attention! La situation devient très dangereuse.
- 17 (CD 2, track 9)
  - Transformation of adjectives ending in -ical and -ic: magique; logique; économique; patriotique; électronique
  - Transformation of nouns ending in -ics and -ic: l'électronique; la physique. C'est ironique, mais ce film a un succès fantastique avec le public.
- 18 (CD 2, track 10)
  - Transformation of nouns ending in -ure: La température n'est pas fantastique pour l'agriculture.
- 19 (CD 2, track 11)
  - Transformation of nouns ending in -tude: une aptitude; une multitude. Pour moi, exprimer ma gratitude est difficile.
- 20 (CD 2, track 12)
  - Transformation of nouns ending in -ity: la possibilité; la capacité; les opportunités
- 21 (CD 2, track 13)
  - Transformation of nouns ending in -y: l'économie; l'astronomie
- 22 (CD 2, track 14)
  - Transformation of nouns ending in -ine and -in: une routine; une aspirine. Nous sommes très satisfaits de la machine, donc nous en commanderons encore deux.
- 23 (CD 2, track 15)
  Transformation of adjectives ending in -id: solide; avide; timide. Vos billets ne sont pas valides.

24 (CD 3, track 1)

 Transformation of nouns ending in -ism: Le socialisme et le capitalisme sont des systèmes politiques. Son égoïsme est intolérable.

- Transformation of nouns ending in *-ist*: **un pacifiste**; **une socialiste**. **Je vais voir l'exposition des Impressionnistes**.
- 25 (CD 3, track 2)
  - Transformation of adjectives ending in -al: central; principal; les codes postaux; professionnel; individuel
  - Conclusion

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#### **Course segment 2: Verbs**

- 1 (CD 3, track 3)
  - Introduction
- 2 (CD 3, track 4)
  - Verbs in -er Present tense: éviter; tenter. Je dois éviter la tentation d'utiliser mon dictionnaire. Au lieu de vérifier dans mon dictionnaire, je peux créer beaucoup de mots en français.
- 3 (CD 3, track 5)
  - Imperfect and Conditional tenses: J'aimais inventer les nouvelles formes. Votre frère et vous passiez vos vacances en France.
     J'aimerais vraiment passer mes vacances à Nice. Si elle avait le temps, elle préparerait le dîner.
- 4 (CD 3, track 6)
  - Verbs in -er Imperfect tense: Quand Stéphanie et ses parents passaient les vacances ensemble, ils préféraient toujours rester à l'hôtel.
- 5 (CD 3, track 7)
  - The Perfect tense with être and avoir: Vendredi, Stéphane et Stéphanie ont exploré le centre commercial et ils ont dépensé beaucoup d'argent. Il est rentré en taxi. Elle a monté les documents au premier étage.
- 6 (CD 3, track 8)
  - Etre en train de: Comme nous sommes en train de doubler nos ventes en France, nous devons augmenter notre personnel à Paris.
  - Etre sur le point de: J'étais sur le point de commander un taxi.
  - Venir de: Entre dans la salle à manger, je viens de laver le sol dans la cuisine

- 7 (CD 3, track 9)
  - Verbs in -ir of the ouvrir, sortir and venir types: Je découvre seulement maintenant qu'il a beaucoup de problèmes. J'ai ouvert la porte pour laisser sortir le chat. Quand nous sommes entrés, il dormait devant la télévision.
- 8 (CD 4, track 1)
  - Other verbs ending in -ir: finir; définir; établir; réfléchir
  - en + present participle: en attendant; en finissant; en faisant
- 9 (CD 4, track 2)
  - Verbs in -re: mettre; promettre; admettre etc.
- 10 (CD 4, track 3)
  - Verbs in -uire: produire; détruire; construire etc.
  - Verbs in -ire: suffire; lire etc.
- 11 (CD 4, track 4)
  - Reflexive verbs: Maintenant qu'Alex travaille, il se réveille tôt, c'est-à-dire avant 7 heures. Je m'aperçois que c'est très facile d'apprendre des mots français.
  - 'Reciprocal' verbs: Nous nous parlons tous les jours. Nous nous embrassons.

#### **Course segment 3: Everyday expressions**

- 1 (CD 4, track 5)
  - Common constructions
  - Verbs with à: Je cherche à réorganiser mon département.
  - Verbs with de: Je voudrais profiter de cette opportunité, mais ça dépend de vous.
  - Verbs with sur: Ne comptez pas sur nous pour ça.
- 2 (CD 4, track 6)
  - Vouloir dire: Elle a envoyé un texto pour dire que son taxi est en retard – ça doit vouloir dire qu'elle va manquer la réunion.
- 3 (CD 4, track 7)
  - Expressions of time: depuis, pendant, il y a, en, dans, avant and après
- 4 (CD 4, track 8)
  - Talking about days of the week, months and seasons
- 5 (CD 4, track 9)
  - Telling the time: Il est deux heures; Il est deux heures et quart; deux heures et demie; trois heures moins le quart.
- 6 (CD 5, track 1)
  - Expressions of place: ici and là: Il y a quelques imperfections ici et là, mais ce n'est pas grave.
  - loin and près: C'est très loin; C'est assez près.
  - à gauche and à droite: A gauche vous pouvez admirer beaucoup d'art classique, mais à droite l'exposition est très moderne.
  - · devant and derrière: Il a toute sa vie devant lui.
  - dessus and dessous: Son manteau est sur la chaise, donc si vous mettez les documents dessus, il va certainement les trouver.

- 7 (CD 5, track 2)
  - Expressions of quantity: quelque; du; de la
  - The pronoun en: J'ai trois billets, mais j'en veux cinq.
  - · assez; la plupart de
- 8 (CD 5, track 3)
  - Talking about numbers: le nombre; le numéro; un chiffre
- 9 (CD 5, track 4)
  - Il faut: Il faut que nous fermions la porte; Il faut que nous ouvrions la fenêtre.
- 10 (CD 5, track 5)
  - The pronoun y: Il avait décidé d'aller à la réception, mais il y est arrivé trop tôt. Vous devez y penser.
- 11 (CD 5, track 6)
  - Avoir and semi-idiomatic expressions: J'ai très faim. Il a très soif parce qu'il a oublié sa bouteille d'eau minérale. J'ai peur des problèmes associés à l'expansion du département.
- 12 (CD 5, track 7)
  - Etre and semi-idiomatic expressions: Nous sommes le cinq janvier aujourd'hui. Vous n'y êtes pas du tout!
- 13 (CD 5, track 8)
  - Negatives: ne ... pas; ne ... plus; ne ... rien
- 14. (CD 5, track 9)
  - Negatives: ne ... jamais; ne ... personne; ... non plus; ni ... ni; ne ... que
- 15 (CD 5, track 10)
  - Adjectives which change meaning depending on their position in relation to the noun described: ancien; certain; cher; propre
  - Conclusion

### English-French glossary

le (masc.) la (fem.) l' (masc./fem.), les (pl.) (In brackets: plural e.g. ville, la (s) = les villes)

- indicates no change in the plural
- ~ indicates past diving form. Example: ~abandonné
- \* bonus words = further illustrate or fill in structural and word categories

a few *quelques* a kind of ... une espèce de ...; \*une sorte de ... a long time longtemps a lot (of) beaucoup (de) abandon, to *abandonner* ~abandonné about a hundred *centaine, la (s)* about a thousand millier, le (s) about \*environ above dessus abroad à l'étranger absolutely absolument accept, to accepter ~accepté acceptable acceptable; admissible accessible accessible accessory accessoire, l' (masc.) (s) accident accident, l'(masc.) (s) accompany, to accompagner ~accompagné accusation accusation, l' (fem.) (s) accuse, to accuser ~accusé action *action*, *l'* (fem.) (s) address *adresse*, *l'* (*fem.*) (*s*) administration administration, *l'* (fem.) administrative administratif/ administrative administrator administrateur. l' (masc.) (s)

admire, to admirer ~admiré admit, to admettre ~admis adopt, to adopter ~adopté adorable adorable adore, to adorer ~adoré advice \*conseil, le (s) advise against, to déconseiller (de ...) ~déconseillé advise (to do ...), to conseiller (de ...) ~conseillé affirm, to affirmer ~affirmé African africain/e after après afternoon après-midi, l' (masc.) again encore against contre ago il y a agree, to accorder ~accordé agreement accord, I' (masc.) (s) agriculture agriculture, l' (fem.) aim but, le (s) air air, l' (masc.) airport aéroport, l' (masc.) (s) alarm, to alarmer ~alarmé alarming *alarmant/e* all alone tout/e seul/e all the time tout le temps all tout/e alliance alliance, l' (fem.) (s) allow, to permettre ~permis

allow somebody to do something, to permettre à quelqu'un de faire quelque chose ~permis almost *presque* already *déjà* also *aussi* always toujours announce, to annoncer ~annoncé answer réponse, la (s) answer, to répondre ~répondu antique *ancien/ancienne* anxious *inquiet/inquiète* apartment appartement, *l'* (masc.) (s) applicable applicable applications applications, les (fem.) apply, to appliquer ~appliqué appointment rendez-vous, le approachable approchable approximately \*environ aptitude aptitude, l' (fem.) (s) arbitrary arbitraire archaeologist archéologue, I' (masc./fem.) (s) argument argument, l' (masc.) (s) arrival *arrivée*, *l'* (fem.) (s) arrive, to arriver ~est arrivé art art, l' (masc.) artist artiste, l' (masc./fem.) (s) artistic artistique as comme ask a question, to *poser une question* ~posé ask (for), to demander ~demandé aspirin *aspirine, l' (fem.)* assessment évaluation, l' (fem.) (s) assistant assistant, l' (masc.)/ assistante, l' (fem.) (s) associate, to associer ~associé

association association, l' (fem.) (s) astronomy astronomie, l' (fem.) at least *au moins* at this time *actuellement* Atlantic atlantique attend, to assister (à) ~assisté attention *attention*, *l'* (fem.) attitude *attitude*, *l'* (fem.) (s) Australia Australie, l' (fem.) author *auteur*, *l'* (*masc.*) (s) authorization autorisation, *l'* (fem.) (s) authorize, to \*autoriser ~autorisé automatic automatique automatically *automatiquement* (in) Autumn (en) automne, l' (masc.) average moyenne, la avid avide avoid, to éviter ~évité avoidable *évitable* awaken, to se réveiller ~s'est réveillé

(worse) bad (plus) mal badly *mal* bag sac, le (s) ball *balle, la (s)* ban interdire ~inderdit bank account compte bancaire, le (s) be (geog.), to se trouver ~s'est trouvé be associated with, to être associé à be beautiful (weather), to faire beau be cold (weather), to faire froid be courageous, to *avoir du courage* be fed up, to en avoir assez be forgotten, to s'oublier ~s'est oublié be frightened (of/that), to avoir peur (de/que)

be hungry, to avoir faim be in a good mood, to être de bonne humeur be in agreement (with), to être d'accord (avec) be in charge, to diriger ~dirigé be late, to être en retard be lucky, to avoir de la chance be necessary to, to falloir ~fallu be patient, to avoir de la patience be right (to do), to avoir raison (de faire) be sleepy, to avoir sommeil be sold, to se vendre ~s'est vendu be there, to *y être* be thirsty, to *avoir soif* be used to ..., to avoir l'habitude de ... be warm (weather), to faire chaud; ~faisait be worth, to \*valoir ~valu be worth the effort to ..., to \*valoir la peine de ... be wrong, to *avoir tort* bear (tolerate), to \*supporter ~supporté bearable *supportable* because of à cause de because parce que become, to devenir ~est devenu become bigger, to *grandir* ~*grandi* become red, to rougir ~rougi become yellow, to jaunir ~jauni bedroom *chambre, la (s)* before *avant* begin (to), to commencer (à) ~commencé behave (oneself), to se conduire ~s'est conduit

behind derrière believable croyable believe, to *croire* ~cru below dessous; sous best *mieux* bill *note, la (s)* billionaire *milliardaire*, *le/la* (s) biologist \*biologiste, le/la (s) birthday \*anniversaire, l' (masc.) (s) blush, to rougir ~rougi boat bateau, le (x) book *livre, le (s)* (be ... , to) born *(être) né/e* borrow, to emprunter ~emprunté both tous les deux(masc.)/toutes les deux (fem.) bottle bouteille, la (s) bread *pain, le* break, to casser ~cassé breakable *cassable* breakfast *petit déjeuner, le* brother frère, le (s) busy occupé/e butter beurre, le buy, to acheter ~acheté by heart (to memorize ...) (mémoriser) par coeur by par

café café, le (s)
caffeine caféine, la
call, to appeler ~appelé
camera caméra, la (s)
capacity capacité, la (s)
capitalism capitalisme, le
car voiture, la (s)
cardiologist cardiologue, le/la (s)
carry, to \*porter ~porté
case cas, le

cat *chat, le/chatte, la (s)* catastrophe catastrophe, la (s) catch a glimpse (of something), to apercevoir (quelque chose) ~aperçu cause, to; talk, to causer ~causé celebration célébration, la (s); fête, la (s) central central/e centre *centre, le (s)* certain certain/e chair *chaise*, *la* (s) chance chance, la (s) change one's mind, to changer d'avis ~chanaé change, to changer (de) ~changé charge, to prendre ~pris charm charme, le charm, to \*charmer ~charmé charming charmant/e cheap bon marché check \*contrôle, le (s) check, to vérifier ~vérifié chemist \*chimiste, le/la (s) child enfant, l' (masc./fem.) (s) chocolate chocolat, le choice choix, le choose, to choisir ~choisi church *église*, *l'* (*fem.*) (*s*) cinema cinéma, le circumstance *circonstance*, *la* (s) civilization civilisation, la clarity clarté, la classic classique classify, to classifier ~classifié clean *propre* client *client, le/cliente la (s)* close, to fermer ~fermé coast *côte, la (s)* 

coat *manteau*, le (x) coffee *café. le* colleague collèque, le/la (s) collection *collection, la (s)* come, to venir ~est venu comfortable \*confortable commercial commercial/e committee *comité, le (s)* company compagnie, la (s) competition compétition, la (s) complain, to se plaindre ~s'est plaint completely complètement computer *ordinateur*, *l'* (*masc.*) (s) computer science informatique, *l'* (fem.) computer scientist informaticien, l' (masc.)/informaticienne, *l'* (fem.) (s) computerize, to *informatiser* ~informatisé conceivable *concevable* concentrate, to se concentrer ~s'est concentré conception conception, la concert concert, le (s) conclusion *conclusion*, la (s) condemn, to condamner ~condamné condition *condition*, *la (s)* conference conférence, la (s) confidential confidential/ confidentielle confirmation confirmation, la (s) confusion confusion. la constructive constructif/constructive consult, to consulter ~consulté consultant consultant, le/consultante, la (s)

consultation consultation, la (s) contact, to contacter ~contacté continent continent, le (s) continually continuellement continue (to), to continuer (à) ~continué

contract *contrat*, *le* (*s*) contradictoire (on the) contrary (*au*) contraire control \*contrôle, *le* (*s*) convention convention, *la* (*s*) conviction conviction, *la* (*s*) cook, to faire la cuisine ~fait cooking; kitchen cuisine, *la* (*s*) correspondent correspondant,

le/correspondante, la (s) cost, to coûter ~coûté count, to compter ~compté count on, to compter sur ~compté country pays, le countryside campagne, la courage \*courage, le courageous courageux/courageuse cousin cousin, le/cousine, la (s) crazy fou (masc.)/folle (fem.) crisis *crise*, la (s) critical *critique* criticize, to critiquer ~critiqué cross, to traverser ~traversé crowd(s) beaucoup de monde culture *culture*, *la* (s) custom habitude, l' (fem.) (s)

dancer danseur, le/danseuse, la (s) danger danger, le dangerous dangereux/dangereuse data données, les (fem. pl.) day after (following day) lendemain, le day after tomorrow, the après-demain day before yesterday, the avant-hier day journée, la (s); jour, le (s) (be ..., to) dead (être) mort/e decentralized décentralisé/e decide, to décider ~décidé decision décision, la (s) deep profond/e deeply profondément defend (oneself), to (se) défendre ~défendu defensive défensit/défensive definable *définissable* define, to définir ~défini definitive définitif/définitive delivery *livraison*, *la* (s) dentist dentiste, le/la (s) department département, le (s) department store grand magasin, *le (pl. grands magasins)* departure départ, le (s) depend (on), to dépendre (de) ~dépendu depression dépression, la descend to descendre ~est descendu design, to \*concevoir ~concu desk *bureau*, *le (x)* destination destination, la (s) destroy, to détruire ~détruit destruction \*destruction, la detail détail, le (s) development développement, le (s) dictionary dictionnaire, le (s) difference différence, la (s) different différent/e difficult difficile

difficulty difficulté, la (s) digit *chiffre, le (s)* dimension dimension, la (s) dine, to dîner ~dîné direction direction, la (s) director directeur, le/directrice, la (s) dirty \*sale disappoint, to décevoir ~décu disappointment déception, la discipline discipline, la (s) discount réduction, la (s) discover, to découvrir ~découvert discretion discrétion, la discussion discussion, la (s) disorganised désorganisé/e dispatch, to dépêcher ~dépêché disposable *jetable* distance distance, la (s) distribute, to distribuer ~distribué distributor distributeur, *le/distributrice, la (s)* divide, to diviser ~divisé do, to faire ~fait do sport, to faire du sport ~fait doctrine doctrine, la document document, le (s) dog chien, le/chienne, la (s) door *porte, la (s)* double, to doubler ~doublé dozen douzaine, la (s) dress robe, la (s) dress, to habiller ~habillé dress oneself, to s'habiller ~s'est habillé drink, to boire ~bu drink to somebody's health boire à la santé de quelqu'un drive, to conduire ~conduit

drive somebody back (home), to raccompagner quelqu'un en voiture ~raccompagné drop goutte, la (s) due to à cause de during pendant DVD DVD, le (-)

each *chaque* early *tôt* earn, to gagner ~gagné easy *facile* eat, to *manger* ~*mangé* economic économique economy *économie, l' (fem.)* editorial éditorial, l' (masc.) (pl. éditoriaux) education education, I' (fem.); instruction, I' (fem.) effective *efficace* efficient *efficace* effort *effort, l' (masc.) (s)* either . . . or . . . *soit* . . . *soit* . . . electricity *électricité*, *l'* (*fem.*) electronic électronique electronics *électronique*, *l'* (fem.) elegance *élégance, l' (fem.)* elegant élégant/e elusive *insaisissable* email *e-mail*, *l'* (*masc.*) (s) employee employé, l' (masc.)/ employée, l' (fem.) (s) encourage (to), to encourager (à) ~encouragé energy *énergie, l' (fem.)* English *anglais/e* enormously (enormous amount) énormément enough *suffisamment* 

enough assez enrol, to; register, to inscrire ~inscrit enter, to entrer ~est entré entrance *entrée, l' (fem.) (s)* equivalent équivalent, l' (masc.) (s) error *erreur, l'* (fem.) (s) establish, to établir ~établi establishment établissement, l' (masc.) (s)estimate, to estimer ~estimé Euro euro, l' (masc.) (s) Europe *Europe, l' (fem.)* evaluate, to évaluer ~évalué evening soir, le (s) ever; never jamais every *chaque* everybody tout le monde evident; clear évident/e exactly *exactement* excellent excellent/e exceptional exceptionnel/ exceptionnelle exclusive exclusif/exclusive executive exécutif/exécutive exhibition *exposition*, *l'* (fem.) (s) exist, to exister ~existé exit sortie, la (s) explore, to explorer ~exploré expansion *expansion*, *l'* (fem.) (s) expensive cher/chère explain, to expliquer ~expliqué explanation *explication*, *l'* (fem.) (s) explosion explosion, l' (fem.) (s) express, to exprimer ~exprimé express oneself, to s'exprimer ~s'est exprimé expression expression, l' (fem.) (s) extensible extensible extraordinary extraordinaire

factory usine, I' (fem.) (s) fair (funfair) fête, la (s) fairly assez fall asleep, to s'endormir ~s'est endormi fancy something, to avoir envie de quelque chose fantastic fantastique far *loin* fast (to work) rapide; (to walk) vite father père, le (s) Father Christmas Père Noël, le favourite *favori/favorite* fax (machine) fax, le fear *peur, la* fear, to *craindre* ~*craint* feasible *faisable* feedback réaction, la feel, to sentir ~senti feel in oneself, to se sentir ~s'est feel sorry for somebody, to *plaindre* quelqu'un ~plaint festival festival, le (s) few peu (de) (a) few *quelques* film *film, le (s)* final final/e finally *finalement* find, to trouver ~trouvé find again, to retrouver ~retrouvé find oneself, to se trouver ~s'est trouvé finish, to *finir ~fini* first *premier/première* fish poisson, le (s) fission *fission, la* five *cinq* flat appartement, I' (masc.) (s)

floor étage, l' (masc.) (s) geology *géologie, la* footballer *footballeur, le (s)* get along with, to s'entendre ~se sont entendus (pl.) for *pour* forbid, to défendre ~défendu get going again, to repartir ~est force, to forcer ~forcé reparti force oneself, to se forcer ~s'est get it, to (y) comprendre forcé get married, to se marier ~s'est foreign countries *les pays étrangers* marié forget, to oublier ~oublié get on with, to s'entendre ~se sont form *forme, la (s)* entendus (pl.) form, to former ~formé get oneself (somewhere), to se former *ancien/ancienne* rendre ~s'est rendu fortunately *heureusement* get up, to se lever ~s'est levé give, to donner ~donné France *France*. *la* free, to \*libérer ~libéré give again, to redonner ~redonné freedom liberté, la give back, to rendre ~rendu given that ...; since ... French (man/woman) Français, le/Française, la étant donné que ... French français/e glass verre, le (s) (in) French (language) (en) français, go (somewhere), to aller ~allé; se rendre ~s'est rendu frequently *fréquemment* go about (something), to s'y prendre Friday *vendredi, le (s)* ~s'y est pris friend ami, l' (masc.)/amie, go back, to retourner ~est retourné *l'* (fem.) (s) go down, to descendre ~est from here d'ici descendu from now d'ici go home, to rentrer ~est rentré from time to time de temps en go out, to sortir ~est sorti go out together (romantically), to temps sortir ensemble ~sont sortis (pl.) full \*plein/e fundamental fondamental/e go to bed, to se coucher ~s'est couché fusion fusion, la (s) go up, to monter ~est monté goal but, le (s) future *avenir*, *l'* (masc.) good bon generally *généralement* goods marchandises, les (fem. pl.) genetic \*aénétique government *qouvernement*, *le (s)* geneticist *généticien*, *le/généticienne*, gratitude gratitude, la la(s)green vert/e geologist *géologue*, *le/la* (s) ground sol, le

group *groupe, le (s)* guard, to *garder ~gardé* guess, to *deviner ~deviné* 

habit *habitude*, *l'* (*fem.*) (s) habitable habitable half *demi/e* half past one une heure et demie handicapped \*handicapé/e happiness bonheur, le happy content/e; heureux/heureuse Hasn't it? *N'est-ce pas?* have (the) time, to avoir le temps have a drink, to boire un verre have difficulty to, to avoir du mal à have enough, to en avoir assez have got as far as, to en être à have lunch, to déjeuner ~déjeuné have to, to devoir ~dû head teacher *directeur, le/directrice,* la (s) health santé, la hear, to entendre ~entendu heart *coeur, le (s)* heavy \*lourd/e here *ici* here and there ici et là history histoire, l' (fem.) (s) holiday(s) vacances, les (fem. pl.) honest \*honnête honeymoon lune de miel, la hope, to espérer ~espéré horrible *horrible* hotel *hôtel*, *l'* (*masc.*) (s) hour heure, l' (fem.) (s) house maison, la (s) how many *combien (de)* how comment humanity *humanité*, *l'* (*fem.*)

hundred *cent*hunger *faim, le*hurry (oneself), to *se dépêcher*~s'est dépêché
hurt oneself, to *se faire mal* ~s'est
fait mal
hydrophobia hydrophobie, l' (fem.)

hydrophobia hydrophobie, I' (fem.) I do not get it at all. Je n'y comprends rien. I don't either moi non plus I must (have to) say ... je dois dire ... I want ... je veux ... identification identification, l' (fem.) If I understand what you are saying ... Si je vous comprends bien ... ill *malade* illness *maladie*, *la* (s) illusory *illusoire* imaginative imaginatif/imaginative immediately immédiatement impact impact, l' (masc.) imperatively *impérativement* imperceptible insaisissable imperfection imperfection, l' (fem.) (s) importance importance, l' (fem.) important/e; grand/e impossible impossible impression impression, l' (fem.) (s) impressionable influençable Impressionist Impressionniste improbable improbable in *dans* in fact *en fait* in front *devant* in love (with ...) amoureux/amoureuse (de ...)

incapable *incapable* incident incident, l' (masc.) (s) incompetent incompétent/e incomprehensible incompréhensible inconceivable *inconcevable* increase augmentation, l' (fem.) (s) increase, to augmenter ~augmenté incredulity incrédulité, l' (fem.) indefinable *indéfinissable* independence indépendance, l' (fem.) independent indépendant/e indicate, to; point out, to indiquer ~indiqué industrial industriel/industrielle inedible *immangeable* inevitable inévitable infinity *infinité*, *l'* (fem.) influence influence, l' (fem.) (s) influence, to influencer ~influencé information *information*, *l'* (fem.) (s) information technology informatique, l' (fem.) install, to \*installer ~installé installation \*installation, l' (fem.) instead of au lieu de instruction instruction, l' (fem.) (s) insufficiently insuffisamment intelligent intelligent/e intend to, to avoir l'intention de intention intention, I' (fem.) (s) interesting intéressant/e international international/e interpretation interprétation, *l'* (fem.) (s) intolerant intolérant/e introduce, to introduire ~introduit intuition *intuition*, *l'* (fem.) invent, to inventer ~inventé

invention invention, I' (fem.) (s)

investigation investigation, I' (fem.) (s) ironic *ironique* irony *ironie*, *l'* (fem.) Is it not? N'est-ce pas? It costs 10 Euros. Ca fait 10 euros. It does not matter. Ca ne fait rien. It is agreed. C'est entendu. It is better ... *Il vaut mieux* ... It is one o'clock. *Il est une heure*. It is out of the question. Il n'en est pas question. It isn't worth much. Ca ne vaut pas grand-chose. It seems to me ... Il me semble ... It's ... who ... *C'est ... qui* ... jam confiture, la (s) jogging *jogging, le* join again, to rejoindre ~rejoint journalist journaliste, le/la (s) (in) July *(en) juillet* justify, to justifier ~justifié keep oneself busy, to s'occuper ~s'est occupé keep, to *garder* ~*gardé* key *clé, la (s)* (a) kind of ... une espèce de ...; \*une sorte de .... kiss, to *embrasser* ~*embrassé* kiss each other, to s'embrasser ~se sont embrassés (pl.) know (+noun), to connaître ~connu know (how to do something), to savoir ~su know oneself, to se connaître

~s'est connu

lamp lampe, la (s) language langue, la (s) large grand/e last dernier/dernière last, to durer ~duré late; to be late tard; être en retard launch, to lancer ~lancé lead *laisse*, *la* (s) learn, to apprendre ~appris leave, to partir ~est parti leave again, to *repartir* ~est reparti (on the) left (à) gauche lemon *citron, le (s)* less *moins* letter lettre, la (s) liberate, to \*libérer ~libéré liberation \*libération. la lie, to *mentir* ~*menti* life *vie, la (s)* lift, to lever ~levé light \*léger/légère light *lampe*, *la* (s) like *comme* like, to aimer ~aimé list *liste, la (s)* Listen carefully! *Ecoutez-moi bien!* listen to, to écouter ~écouté literature littérature, la (a) little (un) peu live in (place), to *habiter à* ~habité; occuper ~occupé logical logique (in/to) London (à) Londres long long/longue (a) long time longtemps look for, to chercher ~cherché Look out!; Warning! Attention! look, to regarder ~regardé

look for (something), to
chercher (quelque chose)
~cherché
lorry camion, le (s)
lose, to perdre ~perdu
(a) lot (of) beaucoup de
lucid lucide
lucidity lucidité, la
lunch déjeuner, le

machine *machine*, *la* (s) mad fou/folle magic; magical *magique* mail mail, le majority *majorité, la* make, to faire ~fait manage it, to y arriver ~y est arrivé management direction, la (s) manager directeur, le/directrice la (s) mark (grade) note, la (s) market *marché*, *le (s)* marketing marketing, le marry, to *marier* ~*marié* marvellous *merveilleux/merveilleuse* maybe *peut-être* mean, to vouloir dire ~voulu dire means *moyens*, les (masc. pl.) measure *mesure*, *la* (s) medicine *médicament*, *le (s)* meet, to rencontrer ~rencontré meet each other, to se rencontrer ~se sont rencontrés (pl.) meeting réunion, la (s) memorize, to memoriser ~memorisé mention, to *mentionner* ~*mentionné* menu *menu, le (s)* merchandise marchandises, les (fem. pl.) method méthode, la (s)

midday *midi* midnight *minuit* million million, le (s) millionaire *millionnaire*, *le/la* (s) military *militaire* mineral *minéral/e* minister *ministre*, *le* (s) minus *moins* minute *minute*, *la* (s) miss, to manquer ~manqué moan about, to se lamenter sur ~s'est lamenté mobile telephone portable, le (s) model *modèle*, *le* (s) modern *moderne* modify, to modifier ~modifié money *argent, l' (masc.)* month *mois, le (-)* mood humeur, l' (fem.) (s) (this) morning *(ce) matin, le (s)* more *plus; encore* most *la plupart de* much too much beaucoup trop multitude *multitude*, *la (s)* must *devoir* ~*dû* 

naturally naturellement
near près (de)
necessary nécessaire
need besoin, le (s)
need, to avoir besoin de
negative négatif/négative
negotiate, to négocier ~négocié
negotiation négociation, la (s)
neither am l/neither do l moi non plus
neither ... nor ... (ne) ni ... ni ...
never (in my life) jamais (de la vie)
new nouveau/nouvelle
news nouvelle, la (s)

newspaper journal, le (pl. journaux) next prochain/e next *ensuite* nine *neuf* no longer; no more ne ... plus nobody *personne* noise bruit, le not at all pas du tout not have a choice, to ne pas avoir le choix not only *non seulement* not yet *pas encore* note (money) billet, le (s) nothing rien notice that, to s'apercevoir que ~s'est aperçu (in) November (en) novembre now maintenant nuclear *nucléaire* number *nombre, le (s)* numeral chiffre, le (s)

occupy, to occuper ~occupé offer, to offrir ~offert office bureau, le (x) often *souvent* old \*vieux/vieille on sur on his/her part de sa part on the left à gauche on the right à droite on time à l'heure one (people) on one hundred *cent* only *seulement* only *ne ... que; seulement* only now seulement maintenant open *ouvert/e* (in my) opinion (à mon) avis

opinion opinion, l' (fem.) (s) opportunity opportunité l' (fem.) opposite en face (de) optimist optimiste, l' (masc./fem.) (s) optimize, to optimiser ~optimisé option option, l' (fem.) (s) order commande, la (s) order, to commander ~commandé organisation organisation, l' (fem.) organise, to organiser ~organisé organism organisme, l' (masc.) original original/e owe, to devoir ~dû own propre

pacifism pacifisme, le pacifist pacifiste, le/la (s) packet *paquet, le (s)* page page, la (s) parcel *paquet*, *le* (s) parent *parent*, *le/la* (s) park, to *garer* ~*garé* participant (in ...) participant, le/participante, la (s) (à ...) participate, to participer ~participé party (celebration) *fête, la (s)* patience *patience*, la patriotic *patriotique* pay attention to ..., to faire attention à ... pay, to payer ~payé Pay attention to me! *Ecoutez-moi* bien! penetrate pénétrer ~pénétré penetrating *pénétrant/e* people gens, les (masc.); on per month *par mois* per person par personne perceive, to *percevoir* ~*perçu* 

perception *perception*, *la* (s) performance performance, la (s) perhaps *peut-être* permanent permanent/e permissible permissible permit \*permis, le permit, to permettre ~permis persevere, to persévérer ~persévéré person *personne*, *la* (s) personally *personnellement* personnel personnel, le pertinent pertinent/e pessimist *pessimiste* philosophical *philosophique* phobia *phobie, la (s)* photo photo, la (s) physical physique pick up, to prendre ~pris pity, to *plaindre* ~*plaint* play sport, to faire du sport ~fait du sport please s'il vous plaît please, to *plaire* ~*plu* please somebody, to faire plaisir à quelqu'un pleasure *plaisir, le* pointless \*inutile political *politique* politics *politique*, la (the) politics of Margaret Thatcher \*thatchérisme, le (the) politics of Mitterrand mitterrandisme, le poor \*pauvre porous poreux/poreuse position *position*, *la* (s) positive \*positif/positive possibility possibilité, la (s) possible *possible* 

possibly éventuellement post code code postal, le (pl. codes postaux) pound (sterling) livre (sterling), la (s) pour (with rain), to \*pleuvoir des cordes ~plu prefer, to *préférer* ~*préféré* preferable *préférable* preference préférence, la (s) preferred \*favori/favorite prepare, to préparer ~préparé prescribe, to *prescrire* ~prescrit presence présence, la present *présent, le* present, to présenter ~présenté president *président, le (s)* price prix, le (-) principal principal/e principle *principe*, le (s) print, to imprimer ~imprimé prize *prix, le (-)* probable *probable* probably *probablement* problem *problème*, *le (s)* produce, to produire ~produit product produit, le (s) production *production*, *la* (s) productivity productivité, la professional professionnel/ professionnelle profit (from), to profiter de ~profité programme (radio/TV) émission, l' (fem.) (s) progress *progrès, le (-)* prohibit, to *interdire* ~*interdit* project projet, le (s) promise *promesse*, *la* (s) promise, to promettre ~promis

pronunciation prononciation, la proportional proportionnel/ proportionnelle propose, to proposer ~proposé proposition proposition, la (s) protect, to protéger ~protégé protection \*protection, la public public, le public holiday fête, la (s) public organisation \*organisme, l' (s) pull over, to se garer ~s'est garé put, to *mettre* ~*mis* put (down), to poser ~posé put a stop to, to stopper ~stoppé put back, to remettre ~remis put in place, to mettre en place ~mis

quarter quart, le (s) quarter to moins le quart question question, la (s) questionnaire questionnaire, le (s) queue queue, la (s) quite assez

product produit, le (s)
production production, la (s)
productivity productivité, la
professional professionnel/
profit (from), to profiter de ~profité
programme (radio/TV)
emission, l' (fem.) (s)
project projet, le (s)
promise promesse, la (s)
productivit, la (s)
torrents ~plu
rain in torrents, to \*pleuvoir à
torrents ~plu
raise, to lever ~levé
read again, to relire ~relu
read again, to relire ~relu
readjust, to réadapter ~réadapté
readjust oneself, to se réadapter
~s'est réadapté
ready (to ...) prêt/e (à ...)
realise, to se rendre compte ~s'est
rendu compte; s'apercevoir
~s'est aperçu
really; truly vraiment

rebuild, to reconstruire ~reconstruit receive, to recevoir ~recu recent *récent/e* recently *récemment* reception (party) réception, la (s) recommend, to recommander ~recommandé recommended recommandé/e reconstruct, to reconstruire ~reconstruit recruit, to recruter ~recruté reduction *réduction, la (s)* reflect on, to réfléchir ~réfléchi refuse, to \*refuser ~refusé refuse to do, to refuser de faire ~refusé return (something), to renvoyer region région, la (s) regional régional/e register, to s'inscrire ~s'est inscrit regret, to \*regretter ~regretté regrettable regrettable regularly *régulièrement* release \*libération, la relevant actuel/actuelle religious religieux/religieuse rely on, to *compter sur ~compté* remain, to rester ~est resté remarkable remarquable renovation *rénovation, la (s)* reorganization réorganisation, la (s) reorganize réorganiser ~réorganisé repair, to \*réparer ~réparé repairable *réparable* repairing réparation, la report rapport, le (s) reprehensible *condamnable* representation représentation, la (s) reputation *réputation, la (s)* resemble something, to ressembler à ~ressemblé

reservation réservation, la (s) resign, to démissionner ~démissionné resistance résistance. la respect *respect, le* respond, to répondre ~répondu response *réponse, la (s)* responsibility responsabilité, la (s) responsible (for) responsable (de) rest *reste, le* restaurant *restaurant*, *le (s)* result résultat, le (s) return, to (go back) retourner ~est retourné; (go home) rentrer ~est rentré ~renvové revise, to réviser ~révisé revolution *révolution, la (s)* rich \*riche (on the) right (à) droite ring (sound), to sonner ~sonné risk *risque*, *le* (s) road route, la (s) routine *routine*, *la* (s) run, to courir ~couru Russian russe

sale *vente, la (s)* saleable vendable same *même* sandwich sandwich, le (s) satisfaction *satisfaction*, *la* (s) satisfied (with) satisfait/e (de) satisfying satisfaisant/e Saturday *samedi, le (s)* say, to dire ~dit school \*école, l' (fem.) (s) search for (something), to *chercher* (quelque chose) ~cherché

secondary secondaire sleep, to dormir ~dormi secretary secrétaire, le/la (s) sleeve manche, la (s) slow down, to ralentir ~ralenti see, to voir ~vu seek to, to chercher à ~cherché slow \*lent/e seem, to sembler ~semblé small petit/e seize, to \*saisir ~saisi smell, to *sentir* ~*senti* selfishness *égoïsme*, *l'* (*masc.*) so (much) tellement sell, to vendre ~vendu so much the better tant mieux send, to *envoyer* ~*envoyé* socialism socialisme, le send back (something), to socialist *socialiste, le/la (s)* society société, la (s) renvoyer ~renvoyé send for ..., to faire venir ... software (package) logiciel, le (s) soil sol, le ~fait venir sensibility sensibilité, la solid *solide* sentence, to *condamner* solidity *solidité, la* solution solution, la (s) ~condamné (in) September (en) septembre something quelque chose serious grave something important quelque chose serve, to servir ~servi d'important service(s) *service*, *le* (s) sometimes *quelquefois* several *plusieurs* speak, to *parler ~parlé* shape forme, la (s) speak to, to se parler ~ se sont share, to partager ~partagé parlés (pl.) shirt *chemise*, *la* (s) specialist spécialiste, le/la (s) shop *magasin, le (s)* spectator *spectateur*, *le/spectatrice*, shopper acheteur, l' la (s) speech discours, le (-) (masc.)/acheteuse, l' (fem.) (s) speed rapidité, la short *court/e* spend (money), to dépenser shyness *timidité, la* sick *malade* ~dépensé sign, to signer ~signé spend (time), to passer ~passé (in the) Spring (au) printemps, le simple *simple* since depuis start, to commencer ~commencé singer chanteur, le/chanteuse, la (s) start again, to recommencer sister *soeur, la (s)* ~recommencé sitting-room salon, le (s) (railway) station gare, la (s) situation *situation*, *la* (s) stay, to rester ~est resté skier *skieur, le/skieuse la (s)* still *encore* sleep sommeil, le stop, to arrêter ~arrêté

stop, to (oneself) s'arrêter take advantage (of), to profiter (de) ~s'est arrêté ~profité take an hour (to do something), to stop doing something, to arrêter de faire quelque chose ~arrêté mettre une heure ~mis storey étage, l' (masc.) (s) take part, to participer ~participé storm *tempête, la (s)* take ten minutes, to prendre dix story *histoire*, 'I (fem.) (s) minutes ~pris straight on tout droit take the time to ..., to prendre le street rue, la (s) temps de ... ~pris structure *structure*, *la* (*s*) take (somebody/something) up, to student étudiant. l' monter (quelqu'un/quelque (masc.)/étudiante, l' (fem.) (s) chose) ~monté study, to \*étudier ~étudié talent talent, le (s) succeed (in doing), to réussir talk, to parler ~parlé (à faire) ~réussi talk to each other, to se parler ~se sont parlés (pl.) success succès, le suffer, to souffrir ~souffert tall *grande/e* suffice, to; be enough, to tan, to se bronzer ~s'est bronzé suffire ~suffi (by) taxi (en) taxi, le (s) sufficient suffisant/e teach, to \*enseigner ~enseigné sufficiently *suffisamment* teach someone, to apprendre à suggestion suggestion, la (s) quelqu'un ~appris (in) Summer en été, l' (masc.) teacher professeur, le/la (s); superficial superficiel/superficielle enseignant, l' (masc.)/ enseignante, l' (fem.) (s) supermarket *supermarché*, *le (s)* sure *sûr/e* team *équipe, l'* (fem.) (s) swim, to nager ~nagé technical \*technique switch off, to éteindre ~éteint technician \*technicien, le/ technicienne, la (s) system *système*, *le* (s) telephone (somebody), to table table, la (s) téléphoner (à quelqu'un) ~téléphoné tackle (something), to s'y prendre ~s'y est pris telephone *téléphone, le (s)* take, to prendre ~pris television *télévision*, *la (s)* take (somebody), to emmener tell, to dire ~dit ~emmené tell lies, to *mentir* ~*menti* 

temperature *température, la (s)* 

tempt, to tenter ~tenté

temptation tentation, la (s)

take (somebody/something) down, to

chose) ~descendu

descendre (quelqu'un/quelque

ten *dix* tenant \*locataire le/la (s) terminate, to terminer ~terminé terrible *terrible* terribly terriblement test \*contrôle, le (s) text message texto, le (s) Thank you! *Merci!* thanks to ... *grâce à* ... that ça that is (to say) c'est-à-dire that's it; here it is voilà That will teach him! *Ça lui aprendra!* then ensuite There is ... left. *Il reste* ... There is nothing to do. *Il n'y a rien* à faire. There is talk of ... *Il est question* de ... There isn't much. Il n'y a pas grand-chose. thing \*machin, le (s); truc, le (s) think, to penser ~pensé think/not think so, to penser que oui/non thirst soif, la this way comme ça thousand *mille (-)* thousand million (billion) milliard, le (s) throw, to lancer ~lancé throw (away), to jeter ~jeté ticket billet, le (s) time (first time) fois, la (-) (la première fois) time heure, l' (fem.) (s) timid *timide* tired fatiqué/e today aujourd'hui

together ensemble tolerable *tolérable* tolerant tolérant/e tolerate, to \*tolérer ~toléré tomorrow (morning/evening) demain (matin/soir) too (much) trop; also aussi totally *totalement* tourism \*tourisme, le town ville, la (s) traditional \*traditionnel/traditionnelle (by) train (en) train, le (s) training formation, la (s) transformation transformation, la (s) translate, to traduire ~traduit translation *traduction*, *la (s)* transmissible transmissible tree arbre, l' (masc.) (s) trip voyage, le (s) truck camion, le (s) truth *vérité, la* try, to essayer ~essayé turn, to tourner ~tourné two deux type type, le (s)

unbearable insupportable
unbreakable incassable
uncomfortable inconfortable
under sous
under the present circumstances
dans les circonstances présentes
understand, to comprendre
~compris
understand of/about, to
comprendre à ~compris
unexpected inattendu/e
unfortunately malheureusement
unhoped for inespéré/e

university université, l' (fem.) (s) unpronounceable imprononçable urgent urgent/e use utilisation, l' (fem.) (s) use, to utiliser ~utilisé useful utile useless \*inutile utility utilité, l' (fem.) (s)

valid valide
valuation évaluation, l' (fem.) (s)
value valeur, la (s)
value, to estimer ~estimé
very très
video vidéo, la (s)
violence violence, la
visible visible
vision vision, la (s)
visitor visiteur, le/visiteuse, la (s)
vitamin vitamine, la (s)
vocabulary vocabulaire, le
volunteer volontaire, le/la (s)

wake (somebody) up, to réveiller ~réveillé wake up, to se réveiller ~s'est réveillé walk, to marcher ~marché walk (back) home, to raccompagner ~raccompagné want, to *vouloir* ~*voulu* warn, to avertir ~averti wash, to laver ~lavé wash oneself, to se laver ~s'est lavé wash up, to faire la vaisselle water eau, l' (fem.) weather *temps, le* week semaine, la (s) weekend week-end, le (s)

welcome, to accueillir ~accueilli well bien What a shame! Quel dommage! What luck! Quelle chance! wheel roue, la (s) whereas *tandis que* while *pendant que* why pourquoi win, to *gagner* ~*gagné* window fenêtre, la (s) (in) Winter (en) hiver, I' (masc.) wish, to souhaiter ~souhaité with avec without sans word mot, le (s) worried inquiet/inquiète (at) work (au) travail, le work (function), to *marcher* ~marché work, to travailler ~travaillé workforce personnel, le world monde, le (s) worse plus mal

xenophobia xénophobie, la

write, to écrire ~écrit

year *an, l' (masc.)/année, l' (fem.) (s)*yellow \*jaune
yesterday hier
You never know. On ne sait jamais.
young \*jeune; petit/e

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