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| Articles |        |      |        |
|----------|--------|------|--------|
| Article  | Female | Male | Plural |
| the      | la     | le   | les    |
| a        | une    | un   | des    |

le and la change to l' when used in front of a word starting with a vowel and most words starting with h

**une**, **une**, **des** changes to **de** when used in negative sentences

| Adjectives                               |              |  |
|--|--------------|--|
| Male                                     | Female       |  |
| -  | -e           |  |
| -е                                       | -            |  |
| -f                                       | -ve          |  |
| -X                                       | -se          |  |
| -er                                      | -ère         |  |
| -an                                      | -anne        |  |
| -en                                      | -enne        |  |
| -on                                      | -onne        |  |
| -el                                      | -elle        |  |
| -eil                                     | -eille       |  |
| -et                                      | -ette / -ète |  |
| some common adjectives follow no pattern |              |  |

| feminine noun, use the masculine plural form |
|--|
|  |
|  |
| Demonstrative Adjective                      |

when an adjective describes a masculine and

|           | Female | Male     | these/those |  |
|-----------|--------|----------|-------------|--|
| this/that | cette  | ce (cet) | ces         |  |

 $\boldsymbol{cet}$  is used in front of masculine nouns which begin with a vowel and most words beginning with  $\boldsymbol{h}$ 

add -ci to the end of nouns for close add -IÃ to the end of nouns for far

| Possessive Adjectives |        |       |        |
|-----------------------|--------|-------|--------|
| Adjective             | Female | Male  | Plural |
| my                    | ma     | mon   | mes    |
| your (tu)             | ta     | ton   | tes    |
| his/her/its           | sa     | son   | ses    |
| our                   | notre  | notre | nos    |
| your (vous)           | votre  | votre | vos    |
| their                 | leur   | leur  | leurs  |
|                       |        |       |        |

use  $\mbox{mon},\mbox{ton},\mbox{son}$  with feminine singular nouns in front of vowels and  $\mbox{h}$ 

| Pronouns |              |
|----------|--------------|
| who      | qui          |
| whom     | que          |
| which    | lequel       |
| whose    | dont         |
| this     | ce           |
| that     | ça           |
| this     | ceci         |
| the one  | celle /celui |

| Personal Pronouns |              |          |
|-------------------|--------------|----------|
|                   | Singular     | Plural   |
| 1                 | je / moi     | nous     |
| you               | tu / te /toi | vous     |
| he/it             | il           | ils /eux |
| she/it            | elle         | elles    |
| me                | me / moi     | nous     |
| him/it            | le           | les /eux |
| her/it            | la           |          |
| to him/her/it     | lui          | leur     |
| oneself           | soi          |          |
| -self             | -même        | -mêmes   |
|                   |              |          |

je changes to j' in front of vowels and mosth and the word y, same with me and te.

on can be used to mean we, someone, you, they, one or people in general

| Possessive Pronouns |           |          |
|---------------------|-----------|----------|
| Pronoun             | Female    | Male     |
| mine                | la mienne | le mien  |
| yours               | la tienne | le tien  |
| his/hers            | la sienne | le sien  |
| ours                | la nôtre  | le nôtre |
| yours               | la vôtre  | le vôtre |
| theirs              | la leur   | le leur  |
|                     |           |          |

add  ${\bf s}$  to the end of the pronouns for plural form and use  ${\bf les}$  instead of  ${\bf la}$ ,  ${\bf le}$ 

 $\ensuremath{\mathbf{e}}\xspace\mathbf{n}$  is used in phrases with  $\ensuremath{\mathbf{d}}\xspace\mathbf{e}$  to avoid repeating the same word

 $\boldsymbol{y}$  is used in phrases with  $\boldsymbol{\tilde{A}}\;$  to avoid repeating the same word

| Phrases    |                |  |
|------------|----------------|--|
| He's/She's | C'est un/une   |  |
| They are   | C'est sont des |  |
| not        | ne pas         |  |
| never      | ne jemais      |  |

| Plural nouns                          |               |  |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|--|
| Singular                              | Plural        |  |
| -eau                                  | -X            |  |
| -eu                                   | -X            |  |
| -ou                                   | -S*           |  |
| -al                                   | -aux          |  |
| -ail                                  | -aux          |  |
| -s / -x /-z                           | nothing added |  |
| *some -ou will add-x                  |               |  |
| In general, all others take <b>-s</b> |               |  |
|                                       |               |  |

| Preposition |                            |
|-------------|----------------------------|
| Preposition |                            |
| to          | à                          |
| to + the    | à la (f), au (m), aux (p)  |
| from        | de                         |
| from + the  | de la (f), du (m), des (p) |



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| Preposition (cont) |          |
|--------------------|----------|
| in                 | en       |
| after              | après    |
| before             | avant    |
| with               | avec     |
| at                 | chez     |
| against            | contre   |
| into               | dans     |
| since              | depuis   |
| behind             | derrière |
| in front of        | devant   |
| between and        | entre et |
| until              | jusque   |
| by/per             | par      |
| during             | pendant  |
| for                | pour     |
| without            | sans     |
| except             | sauf     |
| under              | sous     |
| on                 | sur      |
| towards            | vers     |
| this is            | voici    |
| that is            | voilà    |



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