

Let's Visit: France

Intermediate (B1-B2)



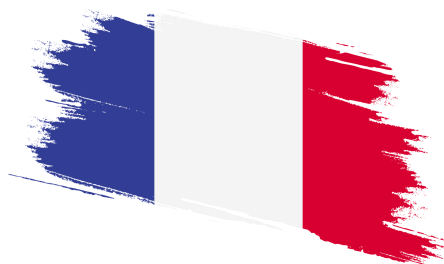
WARM UP

Part 1. Discuss the following questions.

1. Have you ever been to France?
2. What comes to mind first: cities, countryside, food, or art?
3. Would you travel for history, scenery, or cuisine? Why?

Part 2. How much do you know about France? Test your knowledge!

1. What is the capital city of France?
2. What currency is used in France?
3. Name one major French river.
4. What is France's national day called and when is it?
5. What do the AOC/AOP labels on French food and wine mean?



VIDEO ACTIVITY & PICTURE MATCHING

Part 1. Watch a short video showing different places and things in France. After watching, answer the questions.

1. Which scene grabbed you and why?
2. What mood did the video create?
3. Where would you like to go first?

Part 2. Look at some of France's famous places and landmarks below. Match the name to the picture.

Eiffel Tower

Louvre Museum

Palace of Versailles

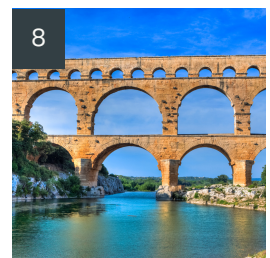
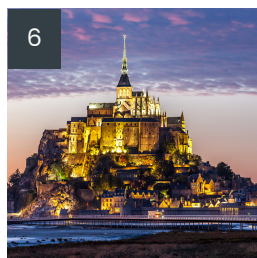
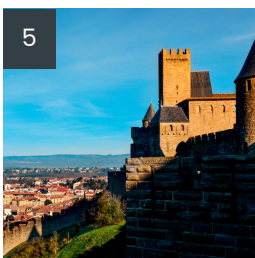
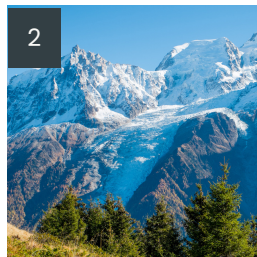
Mont Saint-Michel

Cité de Carcassonne

Pont du Gard

Chamoix-Mont Blanc

Provence Lavender Fields



Part 3. Match each place or landmark to the correct description.

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Cité de Carcassonne	Pont du Gard	Chamonix-Mont Blanc	Provence Lavender Fields

1. _____ Iron tower with sweeping views over the city.
2. _____ Glass pyramid entrance and masterpieces like the Mona Lisa.
3. _____ Island abbey reached by causeway and tides.
4. _____ Ancient Roman aqueduct bridge over the Gardon River.
5. _____ Purple fields and villages in summer.
6. _____ Hall of Mirrors and grand formal gardens.
7. _____ Alpine town with cable cars and glacier views.
8. _____ Storybook medieval walled city with towers.

Part 4. Discuss the following questions.

1. Which would you visit first and why?
2. Which looks most photogenic?
3. City icons or natural scenery — what's your pick?
4. Which seems the most unique?



Part 5. Look at some of France's famous food below. Match the name to the picture.

Croissant

Crêpe

Coq au Vin

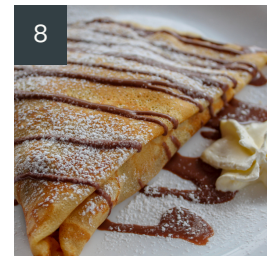
Bœuf Bourguignon

Ratatouille

Quiche Lorraine

Soupe à l'Oignon

Crème Brûlée



Part 6. Match each dish to the correct description.

1. _____ Traditional Provençal vegetable stew with tomato, courgette, and aubergine.
2. _____ Rich red-wine beef stew from Burgundy.
3. _____ Savoury tart with eggs, cream and lardons.
4. _____ Chicken slowly braised in red wine with mushrooms.
5. _____ Caramelised onion soup with melted cheese on top.
6. _____ A silky custard dessert topped with crisp caramel.
7. _____ Thin pancakes, sweet or savoury (Breton style).
8. _____ Buttery, flaky pastries for breakfast.

Part 7. Discuss the following questions.

1. Which dish would you try first?
2. What looks unusual to you?
3. How rich/savoury/sweet do you like your food?
4. Which dish would you recommend to a friend, and why?

READING ACTIVITY

Part 1. Read this dialogue between two travellers who recently visited France.

Alex: Paris lived up to the hype — the first view from the Eiffel Tower blew my socks off.

Jas: Same here. We made a beeline for the Louvre after, and even the pyramid was picture-perfect.

Alex: Versailles the next day felt grand on another level — those gardens go on forever.

Jas: My favourite moment was Mont Saint-Michel at dusk. Tide coming in, lights on the abbey — magical.

Alex: Food helped, too. A bowl of onion soup on a rainy evening was just right, then crêpes for dessert.

Jas: And mornings at the café were ideal for people-watching. Fresh croissants and the world drifting past.

Alex: We finished in Chamonix — crisp air, glacier views. Completely different side of France.

Jas: Agreed. France has range — from palaces to peaks — and I'm already planning round two.

Part 2. Answer the questions below based on the dialogue.

1. Which two Paris landmarks did they visit first, and what did they say about them?
2. How did they describe the Palace of Versailles?
3. What time of day made Mont Saint-Michel feel “magical,” and why?
4. Which foods and café moments do they mention?
5. Where did they end the trip, and how was it different from Paris?



Part 3. Match the expression to its meaning.

Lived up to the hype

Blew my socks off

Make a beeline for

Picture-perfect

People-watching

1. _____ Was as good as people said it would be
2. _____ Exactly as beautiful as a postcard/photo
3. _____ Extremely impressive or surprising
4. _____ Move straight towards something without delay
5. _____ Observing life around you in public places

Part 4. Discuss the following questions.

1. Tell us about a place that **lived up to the hype**.
2. A view that **blew your socks off** — where was it?
3. When did you **make a beeline** for something on a trip?
4. A spot that was **picture-perfect** — describe it.
5. Do you enjoy **people-watching** when you travel? Where's best for it?

FINAL THOUGHTS...

Part 1. Discuss the questions below to reflect on what you've learnt during this lesson.

1. Would you plan France around cities, countryside, or mountains?
2. Which one landmark and one dish are top of your list?
3. If you had five days, how would you split your time?

