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How can I describe a person in French?

MY LEARNING JOURNEY

1. How can I describe somebody's hair and eyes?
2. How can I describe somebody's personality?
3. Why do some French adjectives change?
4. How can I identify a person from a description?
5. How can I describe a friend in French?

Previously, I learnt to…

- Describe colours in French.
- Use French adjectives to describe shape and size.
- Follow instructions in French.
- Recognise some French words that are similar to English (cognates).
- Listen carefully and respond to spoken French.

In this unit, I am learning to…

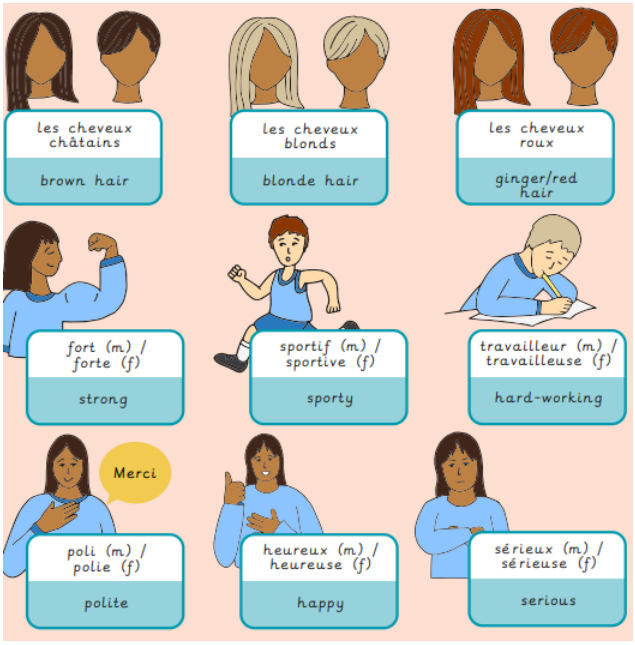
- ❑ Describe a person's hair and eye colour.
- ❑ Identify a person from a spoken description.
- ❑ Understand that some adjectives change depending on whether they describe a boy or a girl.
- ❑ Place adjectives correctly after nouns in a sentence.
- ❑ Build spoken sentences to describe a friend.
- ❑ Use il est and elle est correctly.
- ❑ Write simple descriptions using correct adjective agreement.

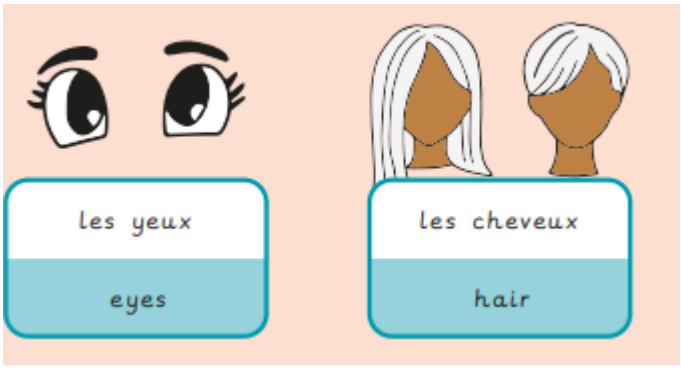
Looking ahead: Later in Year 4, I will learn to…

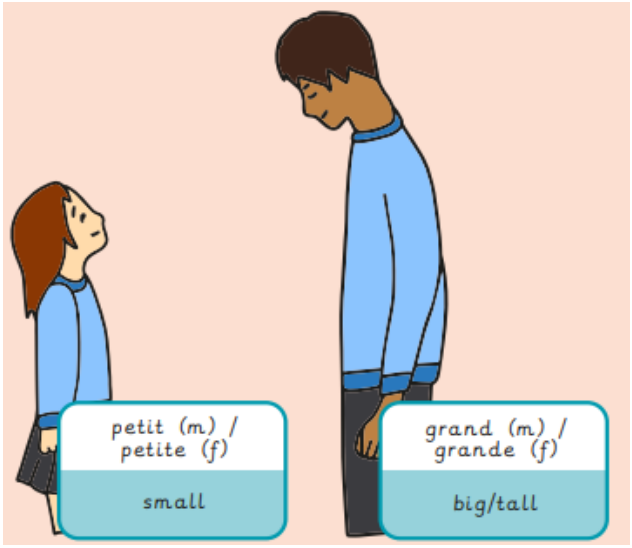
- Describe clothing in French.
- Use the correct French article (un, une or des).
- Use il and elle correctly.
- Use adjectives accurately in longer sentences.

VOCABULARY

Word	Meaning
les yeux	eyes
les cheveux	hair
les cheveux blonds	blonde hair
les cheveux châtains	brown hair
les cheveux roux	red/ginger hair
grand / grande	tall
petit / petite	small
poli / polie	polite
sportif / sportive	sporty
heureux / heureuse	happy
sérieux / sérieuse	serious
travailleur / travailleuse	hard-working
il s'appelle	he is called
elle s'appelle	she is called







In French, the word for 'hair' - cheveux - is plural

il a/elle a= he has/she has + noun + adjective

il a les cheveux châtains.

He has brown hair

il a les yeux bleus

He has blue eyes



Il s'appelle Henri et il a les yeux bleus et les cheveux châtains.

He is called Henry and he has blue eyes and brown hair.

Other phrases	
il s'appelle	he is called
elle s'appelle	she is called

Adjectives must agree with the gender of the noun that they are describing. This is usually achieved by:

No change for masculine nouns	Adding an **e** for feminine nouns
il est poli	elle est poli**e**
He is polite	She is polite
However some may have different endings:	
il est sérieux	elle est sérieu**se**
he is serious	she is serious

The Louvre Museum is in Paris and used to be a royal palace.

It is the largest art museum in the world, and is home to the famous portrait, Mona Lisa.

The entrance to the Louvre is a large glass and metal pyramid.

