

French Stage 3, Week 10, 30th March 2020

Describing Yourself in French

A. **REVISION:** Listen to the greeting song to revise greetings.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Kkff4xjkWjE>

B. **REVISION:** Revise likes and dislikes by listening to *J'aime les fruits*.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nJ03KjwiIVM>

C. **ADJECTIVES:** Here are some describing words (adjectives) which you could use to describe yourself.

English	For a boy	For a girl
tall	grand	grande
short	petit	petite
average height	de taille moyenne	de taille moyenne
attractive	beau	belle <i>or</i> jolie
smart	intelligent	intelligente
kind, caring	gentil	gentille
sporty	sportif	sportive
strong	fort	forte
amusing	amusant	amusante
good	bon	bonne
cute	mignon	mignonne
funny	drôle	drôle
honest	honnête	honnête
friendly	sympathique	sympathique
helpful	utile	utile
weak	faible	faible
sensitive	sensible	sensible
quiet	calme	calme
shy	timide	timide

young	jeune	jeune
old	vieux	vieille
naïve, innocent	naïf	naïve
brave	courageux	courageuse
happy	heureux	heureuse
serious	sérieux	sérieuse
studious	studieux	studieuse

IMPORTANT WORDS:

Je suis	means	<i>I am</i>
et	means	<i>and</i>
il est	means	<i>he is</i>
elle est	means	<i>she is</i>
aussi	means	<i>also</i>
très	means	<i>very</i>
toujours	means	<i>always</i>

Examples: a) Je m'appelle Marc. Je suis grand, courageux et beau.

My name is Mark. I am tall, brave and good-looking.

b) Je m'appelle Emma. Je suis petite, gentille, studieuse et honnête.

My name is Emma. I am short, kind, studious and honest.

D. Exercise:

Using the above list of adjectives, describe yourself. Start by telling your name. You can use as many describing words as you like.

Je m'appelle [*your name*]. Je suis [*describing words in French*].

You can also use the following link to complete and submit Exercise D:

<https://forms.gle/iN9R5jQBExYPnDjY9>

E. Extension Activity 1.

Listen to the following YouTube video - *100 Useful French Adjectives by Learn French with Alexa*. Pause after each adjective and say the French out loud.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0QC1WPR0TNQ>

F. Extension Activity 2.

Exercise: Choose four adjectives from Alexa's list of 100 and describe someone using them.

Examples:

a) Mon amie Christine est intéressante.

My friend Christine is interesting.

b) Elle est toujours heureuse.

She is always happy.

c) Pierre est égoïste.

Pierre is selfish.

d) Il est très jeune.

He is very young.

e) La dentiste est aimable.

The dentist is friendly.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

G. Extension Activity 3 - Dialogue

Read the dialogue below between a boy (un garçon) and a girl (une fille). The French adjectives are underlined. The English is underneath each line of French.

Le garçon : Tu as vu l'accident hier, à la télévision ? Les pompiers sont très courageux!

Boy: Have you seen the accident yesterday on television? Firemen are very brave!

La fille : Mon cousin est pompier. Il est sportif et fort.

Girl: My cousin is a fireman. He is athletic and strong.

Le garçon : Moi je suis trop faible et timide pour être un héros.

Boy: Me, I'm too weak and timid to be a hero.

La fille : Ne dis pas cela ! Tu es intelligent et drôle. Ce sont aussi des qualités de héros.

Girl: Don't say that! You're smart and funny. These are also qualities of hero.

Le garçon : Mais je ne suis pas naïf : jamais je ne serai Superman.

Boy: But I'm not naive: I will never be Superman.

La fille : Et tu es trop sérieux pour aller sauver le monde...

Girl: And you're too serious to go save the world ...

Le garçon : Je suis studieux, c'est différent !

Boy: I'm studious, it's different!

La fille : Je plaisante !

Girl: Just kidding!