

Summer 2 – French – At the zoo/conversations
Year Five and Six



le zoo
les animaux
le tigre
le rhinocéros
le léopard
le gorille
le chimpanzé
le perroquet
l'orang-outan (m)
l'éléphant (m)
le crocodile
le python
le tapir
le jaguar
l'ocelot (m)
la rainette
le singe
le fourmilier

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Important information



Zoos are as popular in England as they are in France. If you were on holiday, you might need to speak French to help buy your tickets, snacks or to find the animals.

Here are 2 popular zoos that you might like to visit if you are on holiday in France.



La Palmyre Zoo

La Palmyre Zoo is nestled in the middle of a huge pine forest, just off the Atlantic coast of France in the Charente-Maritime region, which is a 7 and a half hour drive from Calais. Founded in 1966 by Claude Caillé, La Palmyre Zoo has since become one of France's best-loved zoos attracting around 700,000 visitors every year. The zoo is home to over 1,600 animals, which includes 115 different species of mammals, birds and reptiles. At La Palmyre, you can see all of your favourite animals: from the big cats, including lions, tigers and cheetahs, to exotic reptiles such as snakes and lizards. Also, look out for the flocks of colourful flamingos and parrots, as well as monkeys and lemurs swinging through the trees.



Zoo Parc de Beauval

The Zoo Parc de Beauval is located in the heart of France, about 5 hours' drive from Calais, and houses one of the most extensive collections of animals in the country. There are 5,700 animals, from 600 different species, making this the largest collection of creatures great and small for you and the kids to discover. Voted in the top 15 most beautiful zoos in the world, a day out at Zoo Parc de Beauval is guaranteed to impress. Last year saw 900,000 people visit the park, with the resident panda family being a major attraction, as well as everyone's favourite penguins!

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	Learning objective/ Learning question	What you will learn	Learning Review
1	L.O. I can have a simple conversation in French How would you politely ask for two adult tickets in French?	You will be able to greet a member of staff at the zoo and be able to politely purchase some tickets for the zoo. You will be able to ask how much the tickets will cost and pay for them before saying goodbye.	
2	L.O. I can use a French-English dictionary Why are some French words easy to translate without the use of a dictionary?	We will look at the words that are easy to translate without a dictionary and you will be able to tell me which ones are masculine or feminine. You will be able to explain why sometimes it might be difficult to tell if a word is masculine or feminine. You will be able to use a French-English dictionary to translate less familiar words. You will be able to tell Mrs Jones, in French, what is your favourite zoo animal.	
3	L.O. I can use adjectives to describe some animals in French Translate this sentence in the review box: The grey elephant is very big.	You will revisit colours and consider two ways that you can describe an animal's appearance using the colours. You will also look at other adjectives eg. big/small and you may be able to use adverbs to add detail to that.	
4	L.O. I can have a simple conversation in French What does this sentence mean in English? Les lions sont dans le troisième enclos à droite.	We will recap your learning with Miss Bingham on directions. You will be able to stop someone politely and ask where you can find particular animals. You will be able to understand their simple instructions to find them.	
5	L.O. I can have a simple conversation in French Can you write please and thank you in French?	We will look at buying food, drinks and snacks in a zoo's café. You will be able to greet the staff politely to order your food, drinks etc and then pay for it.	