

Useful vocabulary – Describing myself and others

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The verb **être** (to be)

French	English
je suis	I am
tu es	you (singular informal) are
il/elle est	he/she/it is
nous sommes	we are
vous êtes	you (plural/formal) are
ils/elles sont	They are

The verb **avoir** (to have)

French	English
j'ai	I have
tu as	you (informal) have
il/elle a	he/she/it has
nous avons	we have
vous avez	you (plural/formal) have
ils/elles ont	they are

Adjectives - Physical descriptions

French	English
petit(e)	little, short (height)
grand(e)	tall, big, large
mince	thin, slim
gros(se)	fat
beau/bel/belle	beautiful
faible	weak
fort(e)	strong

Useful vocabulary - Hair and eye descriptions

French	English
les cheveux	hair
les yeux	eyes
bleu(e)	blue
vert(e)	green
marron	brown
noir(e)	black
roux	red (hair)
blanc(he)	white
gris(e)	grey
blond(e)	blond
long(ue)	long
court(e)	short (hair)

Describing personalities - Adjectives

French	English
actif/active	active
agréable	pleasant, nice, agreeable
amusant(e)	funny, fun, amusing
bavard(e)	chatty, talkative
calme	calm
ennuyeux/ennuyeuse	boring
heureux/heureuse	happy
négatif/négative	negative
patient(e)	patient
positif/positive	positive
prudent(e)	prudent, careful, cautious
responsable	responsible
sportif/sportive	sporty
strict(e)	strict
sympatique/sympa	nice, kind, friendly
travailleur/travailleuse	hard-working
triste	sad

Verbs

French	English
aider	to help
s'amuser	to enjoy
avoir confiance en	to trust
avoir le sens de l'humour	to have a sense of humour
comprendre	to understand
dépendre de	to depend on
s'entendre avec	to get on with
respecter	to respect

Higher Tier only – Adjectives

French	English
âgé(e)	old
ainé(e)	oldest
fidèle	loyal, faithful
fier/fière	proud
sévère	severe, strict, harsh
stressé(e)	stressed