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Useful vocabulary – You and your family

Higher Tier vocabulary can be found at the end.

Family members

French	English
la mère	mum
le père	dad
la belle-mère	stepmum
le beau-père	stepdad
le frère	brother
la sœur	sister
le beau-frère	stepbrother
la belle-sœur	stepsister
la grand-mère	grandmother
le grand-père	grandfather
la tante	aunt
l'oncle (m)	uncle
la nièce	niece
le neveu	nephew
le cousin	cousin (male)
la cousine	cousin (female)

Other useful nouns

French	English
l'enfant (m)	child
le fils	son
la fille	girl, daughter
le mari	husband
la femme	woman, wife
le copain	friend, boyfriend
la copine	friend, girlfriend

Useful adjectives – Gender identity and relationship status

French	English
bi(sexuel) / bi(sexuelle)	bi(sexual)
gay	gay
hétéro	straight, heterosexual
lesbienne	lesbian
non-binaire	non-binary
queer	queer
transgenre	transgender

Useful verbs – Talking about yourself, family and friends

French	English
s'entendre (avec)	to get on with
discuter (de + noun)	to discuss, talk about
marier, se marier (avec)	to marry, get married (to)
parler	to speak, to talk
partager	to share
passer	to spend time with
rencontrer	to meet, run into
s'appeler	to be names

Higher Tier - Nouns

French	English
l'enfant (m) unique	only child
la maman	mum, mummy

Higher Tier – Useful verbs to describe relationships

French	English
apprécier	to appreciate, like
compter sur	to count on
garder	to keep, take care of, look after
encourager (à + infinitive)	to encourage (+ verb)
exprimer, s'exprimer	to express, to express oneself
grandir	to get bigger, get taller, grow
garder	to keep, take care of, look after
grandir	to get bigger, get taller, grow
présenter, se présenter	to present, introduce yourself to
respecter	to respect

séparer; se séparer

to separate, break up