

Useful vocabulary – Describing myself and others

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
laid(e)	ugly

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
agréable	pleasant, nice, agreeable
amusant(e)	funny, fun, amusing
bavard(e)	chatty, talkative
drôle	funny
égoïste	selfish
embêtant(e)	annoying
fier/fière	proud
heureux/heureuse	happy
jeune	young (m, f)
joli(e)	pretty, attractive
méchant(e)	nasty, mean
paresseux/paresseuse	lazy
sérieux/sérieuse	conscientious, responsible
sympatique/sympa	nice, kind, friendly
timide	shy, timid
travailleur/travailleuse	hard-working

Verbs

French	English
aider	to help
avoir confiance en	to trust
avoir le sens de l'humour	to have a sense of humour
chatter/tchatter	to chat
comprendre	to understand
énervé	to annoy
être fier/fière de	to be proud of
ressembler, se ressembler à	to look like + noun, to look alike

Higher Tier only – Adjectives

French	English
patient(e)	patient
sensible	sensitive
vif/vive	lively

Higher Tier only – Verbs

French	English
critiquer	to criticise
dépendre de	to depend on
sembler	to seem