

Les planètes

phonics

an sound in:
• grand(e)

qu sound in:
• quel
• pourquoi

&

silent letters

There are many last consonant silent letters in French. The final letter 's' is silent in the word 'planètes'. The 't' is silent in 'et' – it is pronounced almost like the English sound 'eh'.

guttural 'r'

The 'r' sound in French is guttural from the back of the throat like in the words 'Uranus', 'Terre', 'Mercure', 'Saturne', 'Jupiter', 'Mars' and 'rouge'

vocabulary

As this is a unit that explores writing longer and more complex language, there is a wider range of vocabulary than in other units.

Not all will be learnt from memory but there will be an opportunity to learn 10 key elements from the Solar System from memory in French along with a wider range of adjectives and question words.



grammar

To use a range of adjectives, conjunctions and intensifiers to describe the Solar System, and make sentences longer, more complex and interesting.

La planète Jupiter est assez froide, très grande et lumineuse.

The planet Jupiter is quite cold, very big and bright.

Apply adjectival agreement rules:

petit(e)

rouge

gazeux/gazeuse

Add an 'e' to make the adjective agree with feminine nouns.

If the adjective ends in an 'e' it doesn't change.

If the adjective ends in 'eux', remove the 'x' and add 'se'.

Use a wider range of adjectives to describe character

patient(e)

calme

curieux/curieuse

patient

calm

curious

What I will learn:

- Objective 1: I will improve my range of vocabulary by learning 10 key elements of the Solar System in French and will be able to label them on a map.
- Objective 2: I will learn how to apply my increasing knowledge of adjectival agreement to describe the Solar System in French.
- Objective 3: I will extend my sentences by using conjunctions and intensifiers to create more complex descriptions in French.
- Objective 4: I will learn how to ask key questions in French to be able to conduct an interview with an astronaut.
- Objective 5: I will learn how to present myself as an astronaut by answering the questions in French and learn how to describe my qualities/character.