



Salut!

Merci! Thank you for downloading this French travel phrases cheat-sheet. This guide features the 60+ phrases for beginners of French who plan on travelling to French speaking countries. Each phrase is listed with its English and French translation plus transliteration to help you with pronunciation.

Remember, you don't need to be fluent in French to have meaningful interactions with the locals and create memories that will last a lifetime, but you can be **fluent enough for travel**.

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Hi! I'm Michele, an Australian travel blogger and language educator and 'guide' behind [The Intrepid Guide](#). I help my readers and students enrich their travels with beautiful and [detailed destinations guides](#), [free travel phrase guides](#), and effective [online language courses](#) that follow my 80/20 method so they can enjoy meaningful interactions with the locals and avoid being treated like a tourist. I've travelled the world and learned several foreign languages using my unique building-block method which is the basis of all my language courses.

English**French****Pronunciation****Greetings**

Hello	Salut	<i>sah-loo</i>
Good morning	Bonjour	<i>bohn-jur</i>
Good evening	Bonsoir	<i>bohn-swah</i>
Good night	Bonne nuit	<i>bohn nwee</i>
Goodbye	Au revoir	<i>oh rev-war</i>
How are you?	Comment allez-vous?	<i>kohm-mohn ahl-leh-voo</i>
I'm well, and you?	Ça va bien, et vous?	<i>sa va byen, eh voo</i>
Good, thanks	Ça va bien, merci	<i>sa va byen, mer-see</i>

Essentials

Please	S'il vous plaît	<i>sil voo pleh</i>
Thank you	Merci	<i>mer-see</i>
You're welcome	De rien	<i>deh ree-en</i>
Yes	Oui	<i>wee</i>
No	No	<i>noh</i>
Excuse me	Pardonnez-moi	<i>par-don-eh-mwah</i>



I'm sorry	Je suis désolé	<i>jeh swee deh-zol-leh</i>
I don't understand	Je ne comprends pas	<i>jehn kom-pron pah</i>
Do you speak English?	Parlez-vous anglais?	<i>par-leh-voov on-gleh</i>

Questions

How much is...?	Combien coûte?	<i>kohm-byen koot</i>
Where is...?	Où c'est?	<i>oo seht?</i>
When?	Quand?	<i>kohn</i>
May I please have...?	Est-ce que je pourrais avoir...?	<i>es-kerh jeh poo-ray av-war</i>

Eating Out

Beer	Bière	<i>byair</i>
Wine	Vin	<i>vahn</i>
Water	Eau	<i>oh</i>
I don't eat...	Je ne mange pas de....	<i>jehn monj pah</i>
I'm a vegetarian	Je suis végétarien (masc.) / végétarienne (fem.)	<i>je swee ve-jeh-tair-ree-an / ve-jeh-tair-ree-en</i>
the bill, please	L'addition, s'il vous plaît	<i>lah-dee-zyon, sil voo pleh</i>



Getting Around

Left	Gauche	<i>gawsh</i>
Right	Droite	<i>drwah</i>
Straight ahead	Tout droite	<i>too dwat</i>
Turn left	Tournez à gauche	<i>tor-ney ah gawsh</i>
Turn right	Tournez à droite	<i>tor-ney ah drwat</i>
Bus stop	Arrêt de bus	<i>ah-ret deh boos</i>
Train station	Gare	<i>gaar</i>
Airport	Aéroport	<i>ah-eh-ro-por</i>
Entrance	Entrée	<i>ohn-treh</i>
Exit	Sortie	<i>sor-tee</i>

Numbers

1	un	<i>uhn</i>
2	deux	<i>durh</i>
3	trois	<i>twah</i>
4	quatre	<i>kahtre</i>
5	cinque	<i>sahnk</i>



6	six	<i>sees</i>
7	sept	<i>set</i>
8	huit	<i>weet</i>
9	neuf	<i>nurf</i>
10	dix	<i>dees</i>
20	vingt	<i>vahn</i>
30	trente	<i>tront</i>
40	quarante	<i>ka-ront</i>
50	cinquante	<i>sank-ont</i>
60	soixante	<i>swa-sont</i>
70**	soixante-dix	<i>swa-sont-dees</i>
80**	quatre-vingt	<i>kahr-ra-vahn</i>
90**	quatre-vingt-dix	<i>kahr-ra-vahn-dees</i>
100	cent	<i>sohn</i>

Days

Monday	lundi	<i>luhn-dee</i>
Tuesday	mardi	<i>mahr-dee</i>
Wednesday	mercredi	<i>mehr-kruh-dee</i>



Thursday	jeudi	<i>zhuh-dee</i>
Friday	vendredi	<i>vahn-druh-dee</i>
Saturday	samedi	<i>sahm-dee</i>
Sunday	Dimanche	<i>dee-mahnsh</i>

Emergencies

Help!	À l'aide!	<i>ah led</i>
I need a doctor	J'ai besoin d'un médecin	<i>jay bez-wahn dohn meh-deh-sahn</i>
I don't feel well	Je ne me sens pas bien	<i>jeh neh meh sahn pah byen</i>
Call the police!	Appelez la police!	<i>ap-leh lah po-lees</i>
Fire!	Au Feu!	<i>au fur</i>

**There are a few places that use unique words for the numbers 70 (*septante*) and 90 (*nonante*), such as Belgium and Switzerland. With the numbers 80 to 89, combine the number 4, the number 20, and the ones.

For example, in French 80 is four 20s, 81 is four 20s plus 1, and so forth. (Unlike most French-speaking countries, Switzerland actually has a word for the number 80. It's *huitante*.)



Merci beaucoup!

I hope you enjoyed this cheat-sheet and learned something new. Remember, don't worry about not being able to remember it all, you're learning more than most other people do so you should be very proud of yourself. I know I am!

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With all the encouragement in the world, I wish you success! Happy learning! Michele

