

French Summer Enrichment for All Grades

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Dear Students and Parents,

Many students are interested in keeping up their French studies over the summer. Here are some suggestions about how to do so:

Websites and social media - [Lyrics Training](https://lyricstraining.com/fr) Listening to music is a painless way to develop an ear for the language, expand vocabulary, and improve pronunciation. On this free website, you can set the language preference to French and sing along karaoke-style with French music from pop and rap to Disney hits. Or choose fill-in-the-blank mode and identify the correct French words heard.

Students of all ages can improve their comprehension through simple stories presented in a series called “[French the Natural Way](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DcuVNAnsWZM&list=PLD0666ZhOzwhyOzXQN7lxY8-K_UIRakJL)”.

[Quizlet.com](http://quizlet.com) Grades 2 and above can go to their class Quizlet site and review vocabulary. Don’t forget to use the sound! (Grade 3 go to Quizlet and search “MadameChristie”.)

Younger students will enjoy watching the YouTube Channel [Bonjour Tonton!](https://www.youtube.com/user/theoandtonton). In these videos, a French teacher and her turtle puppet teach simple French vocabulary and songs. Also for younger students is [*Le monde des Titounis*](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3bvDIbMaBsA&feature=youtu.be) *- J'apprends le français*.

[1, 2, 3 Petits pas](https://www.youtube.com/@123petitspas/videos), also a French Teacher, introduces young audience (PreK-1st Grade) to songs, vocabulary, and stories. [Professeur Baba](https://www.youtube.com/@ProfesseurBaba/videos) uses nursery rhymes and Pop songs for effective and fun learning.

Find animated read-along French books for young learners at [French books on YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL11CBE1CF06754974).

The following list of YouTube and Instagram accounts may have something to interest middle school French students. Parents should preview for age-appropriateness first. [Youtube and Instagram accounts.](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1yQJ6hmB2V1gUJIRp7fJufRevpraKC5BNLb_tnGhRzNw/edit)

Apps - The **Duolingo** app is popular with 5th-8th graders. Students in grades 3 and above may enjoy **Think Bilingual! Learn by Doing**. Both have free versions on iTunes.

Films and television - Rewatching a familiar story in French is a great way to get in more time with the language. Movies and shows on Netflix can sometimes be set to French language. Examples are: *Miraculous: Tales of Ladybug and Cat Noir, The Adventures of Puss and Boots, Fuller House, All Hail King Julien, Anne with an “E”, Ernest and Celestine, Lemony Snicket’s A Series of Unfortunate Events,* and many more. Popular children’s cartoons can also often be found in French on Youtube, such as *Caillou*, *Peppa Pig, Pocoyo, Didou dessine-moi une histoire.*

*Bonnes vacances, tout le monde!*

Cordially,

Madame Christie and Madame Douliery