

Family

KS2 French · Follows the national curriculum

Name _____ Class _____ Date _____

1. Worked example

How do you say 'my mother' in French?

Step 1 · 'ma' means 'my' (for feminine words like mère)
ma mère

Answer: ma mère

Check: 'La mère' becomes 'ma mère' when saying 'my mother'.

2. Now try one with the steps

Why does French use 'ma' for mother but 'mon' for father ('mon père')?

Step 1 · French nouns are either masculine or feminine

Step 2 · The word for 'my' changes to match

Answer:

3. Practice

Have a go at each one. There is space underneath to work it out.

1. What is 'le père' in English?

2. How do you say 'sister' in French?

3. What is 'le frère' in English?

4. How do you say 'grandparents' in French?

5. Write a short sentence in French introducing a family member (e.g. 'This is my brother').

6. Why is it useful to learn that French nouns have genders, even though this doesn't exist in English?

4. Before you hand it in

Using 'mon' or 'ma' for 'my' without checking the noun's gender.

Learn each family word alongside whether it's masculine (le/mon) or feminine (la/ma).

Assuming French family words always sound completely different from English.

Look for similarities between the two languages.