

Find Your French Level

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Read the text below and try to translate it into French — without any dictionary or app.

Placement Text

When I arrived in Lyon, I stayed in a small apartment that my cousin had found for me. It was smaller than I had imagined, but it had everything I needed. The neighbor, who was always cooking something delicious, became my first friend here.

One evening, she invited me to a dinner where everyone spoke so fast that I could barely follow. I realized how much I had forgotten and what I still needed to learn.

Even though I was nervous, I'm glad I went — if I hadn't, I wouldn't have met the people without whom my life in France would be completely different today.

Now check your level (see translation below)

- If you can't translate any of this text:
 - Join “Discover French.” You'll start from the ground up and build a strong base.
- If you can translate some words, a few sentences, but not most of the text:
 - Join “Reconnect with Your French.” You've studied before, but need to rebuild your foundation.
- If you can translate most of the text slowly, with effort or a few missing words:
 - Join “Activate Your French.” You're ready to speak, make mistakes, and grow your fluency.
- If you can translate the whole text with little difficulty, maybe even rephrase it in fluent French:
 - Join “Engage with French.” You can handle complex ideas — now it's time to deepen your fluency through real discussions.

Translation

Quand je suis arrivé(e) à Lyon, je suis resté(e) dans un petit appartement que mon/ma cousin(e) avait trouvé pour moi. Il était plus petit que je ne l'avais imaginé, mais il avait tout ce dont j'avais besoin. Le/la voisin(e), qui préparait toujours quelque chose de délicieux, est devenu(e) mon/ma première(e) ami(e) ici.

Un soir, il/elle m'a invité(e) à un dîner où tout le monde parlait si vite que j'avais du mal à suivre. J'ai réalisé à quel point j'avais oublié et ce que je devais encore apprendre.

Même si j'étais nerveux(se), je suis content(e) d'y être allé(e) — si je ne l'avais pas fait, je n'aurais pas rencontré les personnes sans qui ma vie en France serait complètement différente aujourd'hui.