



Year 9 French - Theme 5 - Environment and Social Issues

What you will learn	<p>In this module of work you will learn how to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - discuss problems that are facing the world - talk about protecting the environment - make links between key verbs and their equivalent noun - use modal verbs in the conditional tense to say what you could/should do to protect the environment.
Assessment	<p>At the end of the module, we will assess the progress you have made via an assessment in class:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listening and Reading - Module 1 & 2 (3 tiers)
Homework	<p>There will be 3 pieces of homework to complete this term:</p> <p>Weeks 32 & 33 - Translation into English (2 tiers)</p> <p>Weeks 34 & 35 - Memrise - vocabulary learning</p> <p>Weeks 36 & 37 - Reading task (2 tiers)</p>
Key Phrases to use in your spoken and written work	<p><i>Ce qui me préoccupe le plus en ce moment est...</i> <i>Le problème le plus important qu'affronte notre planète est...</i> <i>Tout le monde a le besoin/droit d'être...</i> <i>Ça me permet de m'exprimer</i> <i>Ça m'aide à décompresser</i> <i>On pourrait trier les déchets / On devrait baisser le chauffage</i> <i>Il faut s'occuper de son corps et son bien-être</i> <i>Bien qu'il soit une bonne idée...</i> <i>Autant qu'on puisse en juger</i> <i>Il est temps qu'on fasse quelque chose</i> <i>Je refuse d'utiliser les sacs en plastique</i> <i>J'avais envie d'aider</i> <i>J'ai l'intention d'aller</i> <i>J'ai décidé de recycler</i> <i>Je vais essayer d'apprendre</i> <i>J'ai choisi d'acheter</i> <i>Je ne commencerai pas à travailler</i> <i>Je continuerais à rendre visite</i> <i>J'aurais refusé de faire</i> <i>J'ai appris à parler</i> <i>Je n'ai jamais réussi à aider</i> <i>Mes parents m'ont conseillé d'acheter</i> <i>J'aidais mon frère à faire</i></p>
Cultural Aspect	<p>Did you know that France has 10 national parks (Calanques near Marseille, Cévennes in Central mountains, Ecrins-the most visited one-, Vanoise and Mercantour in the Alps, Guadeloupe, Guyane and Reunion in overseas territories, Port-Cros on the Mediterranean sea, Pyrénées at the Spanish border) and 50 regional parks, covering altogether 15% of the country.</p>
Cultural Capital	<p>When travelling in France using public transport, your train or bus tickets should be stamped (<i>compostés</i>) before you board the train at the departing station. Failure to do so could mean that you incur a fine!</p>

Key phrases for Writing and Speaking

1. What concerns me the most is poverty in the world and especially children who don't have enough to eat. Let's fight against hunger!
2. It is possible to adopt a child in Africa or you could at least donate to a charity.
3. What I do not like is injustice. To do nothing is not an option. We must launch petitions and take part in protests.
4. What worries me are homeless people. We must not ignore them. In the future, I intend to do some voluntary work with an organisation who helps them.
5. The biggest problem that is facing our planet is the environment. It is necessary to lead some awareness campaigns.
6. Recently, I read an article on climate change and as such, I decided to become a member of Greenpeace, an organisation which protects the environment.
7. The planet's population does not stop increasing but natural resources are not infinite.
8. Currently, I don't do much to protect the environment but I could recycle my rubbish and make compost at home.
9. Personally, I should use recycled paper and maybe I could opt for eco-friendly products.
10. Unfortunately, many of the world's forests have been destroyed.
11. You cannot deny that in order to consume less energy, you must turn off the light as soon as you leave a room.
12. In order to save water, you could install a water butt so that you can water the garden and wash the car.
13. If we had acted sooner, we would have been able to save rare species.
14. We must save water by taking a shower rather than a bath.
15. Persistent drought can ruin a region's crop production and can lead to fires.
16. Ice is in the process of melting in the Antarctic because of global warming.
17. We should turn off our computers when we don't need them.
18. I have been trying to reduce my energy consumption for 2 years and I hope that, in the future, I will continue to refuse plastic bags when I go shopping.
19. I have never wanted to take part in a protest however my mum wants to go to London next week to join a demonstration which fights against cruelty towards animals.
20. My passion is the environment, therefore when I am older I would like to become a member of an environmental group, perhaps in France but I am not going to stay in my own country because they don't think climate change is important.
21. Although my parents want me to flush the toilet less frequently, I think it is disgusting and I would rather take a shower instead of a bath to save water.
22. It is a shame that I cannot use public transport in my region because the bus is too unreliable but my goal is to try car sharing with my friends during the week.
23. If I have the time in the future, I am going to make people aware of the problems that the world is facing because my mum told me that there are still lots of people using plastic bags for their shopping. It is time that we did something, don't you think?