

## French

### Le and La focus on body parts

Last term, we started to learn that French words are masculine or feminine and therefore start with either le or la.

#### Task 1

Watch the video clip (a 'cool' song) to learn the body parts and to learn which body parts begin with **le** and which begin with **la**...

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/french-ks2-masculine-and-feminine-body-parts/zn84d6f>

I have put the body parts below too if you can't access the video. You could research other parts of the body, like eyes, if you want to.




#### Task 2

Draw a person and label the body parts in French.

Take particular care with whether the word starts with **le** or **la**.

### Task 3

Can you work out which body parts are feminine and which are masculine? Some words are also plural so do not fit **le** and **la** (for example you have 2 eyes so the word is les yeux). Use the yellow key to help you.



**Key Terms**  
Masculine words start with **le**  
Feminine words start with **la**  
Plural words start with **les**



masculin



féminin



pluriel

le cou

la main

les doigts

la tête

les pieds

le pied

le poignet

les yeux

la jambe

les cuisses

la gorge

le genou

## Answers



masculin

le cou  
le pied  
le poignet  
le genou



féminin

la main  
la tête  
la jambe  
la gorge



pluriel

les doigts  
les pieds  
les yeux  
les cuisses

**Stretching:** What do all these words have in common?

**Answer:** They are all parts of the body.

**Reminder:** 'Le' comes before **masculine** words.

'La' comes before **feminine** words.

'Les' comes before **plural** words.

## Challenge

What well known children's song do you think this is in French?



Tête, épaules, genoux, pieds !  
Tête, épaules, genoux, pieds !  
Et yeux, oreilles et bouche et nez  
Tête, épaules, genoux, pieds !

If you are feeling particularly adventurous, you could try to sing along with the song with your new found understanding of body parts in French. The link is a YouTube version for you to sing along with.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eVbbLXPdJKQ>