

# French - Autumn | Les Saisons (Seasons)

	French	English
	Il neige.	It snows.
	Les fleurs poussent.	The flowers grow.
	Les oiseaux chantent.	The birds sing.
	Il y a du soleil.	It is sunny.
	Il fait chaud.	It is warm.
	Les arbres perdent leurs feuilles.	The trees lose their leaves.
	Quelle est ta saison préférée ?	Which is your favourite season?
	Ma saison préférée est...	My favourite season is...
	et	and
	car	because

	French	English
	les saisons	the seasons
	l'hiver	winter
	le printemps	spring
	l'été	summer
	l'automne	autumn
	En hiver	In winter
	Au printemps	In spring
	En été	In summer
	En automne	In autumn
	Il fait froid.	It is cold.



Phonics & pronunciation we will see:  
Recommended phonics focus: CH OU ON OI

- ON sound in *saison*
- OU sound in *poussent*
- OI sound in *oiseaux*
- Silent letters. We will start to notice that there are lots of silent letters in French. For example, we will see that the letter 't' is not pronounced in 'et', 'est' and the 'd' is not pronounced in 'chaud'. Starting to notice that final consonants are often silent letters in French.
- Guttural 'R'. Becoming more familiar with the French 'r' sound as seen in *hiver*, *printemps*, *car* and *préférée*. Beginning to notice that this sound is made from the back of the mouth, not the front.

Vocabulary we will learn & revisit:

The nouns and determiners/articles for the four seasons in French. Including the language required to say which is our favourite season and why, using the conjunctions 'et' (and) and 'car' (because), featured in the Challenge section.  
All listed on Vocabulary Sheet.

**Learning Focus:**

Objective 1: I will learn the 4 seasons in French with their determiners.

Objective 2: I will learn a short phrase about winter in French.

Objective 3: I will learn a short phrase about spring in French.

Objective 4: I will learn a short phrase about summer in French.

Objective 5: I will learn a short phrase about autumn in French.

## Les saisons

l'hiver      le printemps      l'été      l'automne

il neige      il fait froid      les fleurs poussent      les oiseaux chantent

il y a du soleil      il fait chaud      les arbres perdent leurs feuilles

### phonics

sound in: **on** • *saisons*

sound in: **ou** • *poussent*

sound in: **oi** • *oiseau*

**silent letters** There are many last consonant silent letters in French. The final letter 't' is silent in the words 'est' and 'et'. Both are pronounced similar to the English sound 'eh'.

### vocabulary

The 4 seasons in French and key language associated with each season.

En hiver il neige.  
*In winter it snows.*

How to link sentences together using the conjunction 'et' (and).

En hiver il neige et il fait froid.  
*In winter it snows and it is cold.*

### grammar

Nouns in French can be masculine or feminine and singular or plural. This means that in French they will have different determiners for the English word 'the'.

le la l'

Singular determiner 'the'.  
(\*'La' was not seen in this unit.)

les

Plural determiner 'the'.