



# Unit: Les animaux



To remember and recall from memory 10 common animals in French with the correct article/determiner.

Can we say the following in French?

A lion.

A mouse.

I am a lion.

I am a mouse.

I am a monkey



Key vocabulary we need to learn to read and write.

French	English
Les animaux	The animals
Un lion	A lion
Un oiseau	A bird
Un lapin	A rabbit
Un cheval	A horse
Un mouton	A sheep
Un cochon	A pig
Un canard	A duck
Un singe	A monkey
Une souris	A mouse
Une vache	A cow

Words and phrases to help me say more...

French	English
Un	'A' (masculine)
Une	'A' (feminine)
Je suis...	I am...

Phonics & pronunciation we will see:

Recommended phonics focus: CH OU ON OI

- **CH** sound in **cheval**
- **OU** sound in **souris** & **mouton**
- **ON** sound in **cochon** & **mouton**
- **OI** sound in **oiseau**
- **Silent letters and liaison.** 'D' is not pronounced in **canard** and the last 's' is not pronounced in **souris**. The last 's' is however pronounced in the word **suis** as seen in lesson 5. Here it is in front of the indefinite article/determiners **un** and **une** that start with a vowel. Liaison occurs and the normally silent 's' is pronounced almost like a 'z'.
- **Nasal sounds.** Starting to explore the four French nasal sounds (**on**, **un**, **in** and **an**). This sound does not exist in English and is made through the nose not the mouth! Words like **cochon**, **singe** and **mouton**.

It's important to learn how to spell these words in French. Look carefully at each word—what strategies can you use to help you learn the spellings?

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