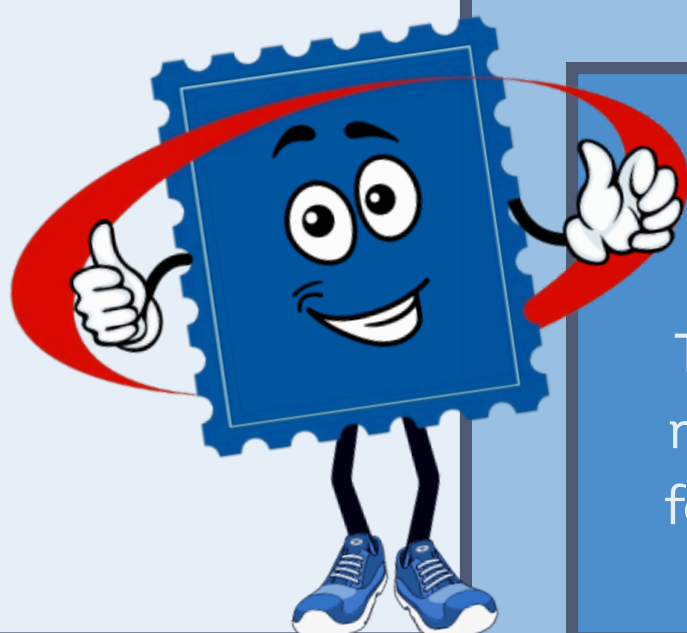


FRENCH WORDS THAT CANNOT BE TRANSLATED INTO ENGLISH



UN FRILEUX/UNE FRILEUSE



"A CHILLY ONE"



This describes a person who is sensitive to the cold.
There is no direct equivalent in English.

DÉPAYSEMENT

"CHANGE OF SCENERY"

This describes taking a break from your usual daily routine to have a change of scenery. It reflects the feeling you get when you go to a new place, of both excitement and disorientation.

FLÂNER

"TO STROLL"

This suggests wandering around aimlessly but happily while appreciating your surroundings. It can also suggest not doing much. An English equivalent would be 'to mooch' or 'potter about'.



BOUQUINER

"TO READ"

This is a more informal way to talk about reading. It suggests reading to relax, rather than reading for school, academia or work.



RÂLER

"TO COMPLAIN"

Rather than simply 'complaining', this is more similar to the English 'venting' or 'ranting'. It means to grumble or complain about anything and everything.



DÉJÀ-VU

"ALREADY SEEN"



This is a phrase that describes the phenomenon of feeling that you have experienced a situation before, and feeling confusion.

LAISSEZ-FAIRE

"LET IT BE"



This is the policy of leaving things to take their course, without interference. It means to 'let people do as they choose'.



L'ESPRIT DE L'ESCALIER

"STAIRCASE WIT"

This phrase describes the feeling of when you come up with the perfect retort or response after the moment has passed. It reflects the visual idea of reaching the end of a staircase, only to remember that you have forgotten something at the other end.

YAOURTER/FAIRE DU YAOURT

"YOGHURTING"

This is when you are speaking or singing in another language, but making lots of mistakes and misrepeating what you think you hear. In other words, you are 'butchering' the lyrics.

