

The Writing Mat... AQA French 150 Word Paper 4 Writing Mat



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- ✓ Comparative /superlative used
- ✓ Conditional tense used
- ✓ Imperfect tense used
- ✓ An idiom used
- ✓ Subjunctive used
- ✓ Modal verb used
- ✓ Après avoir/être used
- ✓ Si clause used
- ✓ Range of negatives used
- ✓ Direct object pronouns used



Bullet points:

- Récent / récemment - past tense
- Visite spéciale – past tense
- Avantages / inconvénients – opinions + reasons
- L'importance de...
- Positifs/ négatifs - opinions + reasons
- Avenir / projets – future tense
- Solutions – modal verbs

Relative clauses

- Qui s'appelle- which is called
- Qui s'appellent – which are called
- Où on peut - where you can...
- Donc il faut.. – so you must...

Sequencing markers

- D'abord - firstly
- Puis – then
- Ensuite - next
- Après - afterwards
- Finally - finally

Opinions - past

- j'ai pensé que - I thought that
- j'ai trouvé que - I thought that
- c'était - it was ce n'était pas - it wasn't

Negatives

- Ne...pas- don't
- Ne...plus- no longer
- Ne ...jamais never
- Ne...rien- nothing
- Ne...que - only

Synonymes:

- Important – nécessaire - necessary
- essentiel(le) - essential
- utile – useful
- sérieux - serious

Mémorable

- inoubliable - unforgettable
- remarquable - remarkable

Direct object pronouns: avoid repetition

Find if the word you are referring to is **feminine**, **masculine**, or **plural** and choose your pronoun : **La, Le, Les** then follow the rules below
It goes in front of the verb: **Je les aime = I like them**

Je l'aime = I like it, I like him, I like her

In a negative sentence it goes between 'ne' and the verb:

Je ne les aime pas = I don't love them

je ne l'aime pas = I don't love it, him, her

When using a verb followed by an infinitive, the pronoun goes in front of the infinitive **Je veux la manger = I want to eat it**

In the perfect tense it goes in front of 'avoir'

Je l'ai mangé(e) = I ate it

je les ai vu(e)s = I saw them

Adding contrasting opinions

- mais - but **heureusement** - fortunately
- aussi - also **malheureusement** - unfortunately
- en plus - also, in addition **en fait** - in fact
- également - equally, also **cependant** - however
- c'est vrai que - it's true that **pourtant** - however

Adverbs

- vraiment - really (truly)
- tellement - really (so)
- incroyablement - incredibly
- extrêmement - extremely
- particulièrement - particularly
- seulement - only
- certainement - certainly

Idioms

- c'est dommage que - it's a shame that
- quand je m'ennuie - when I'm bored
- j'en ai marre - I'm fed up
- ça vaut le peine - it's worth it (worth the effort)
- ça coûte les yeux de la tête - it costs an arm and a leg
- une perte de temps - a waste of time
- ça m'est égal - I don't mind
- ce n'est pas grave - it doesn't matter
- Il/elle a l'air triste – he/she appears to be sad

The Comparative and Superlative (the best, the worst, the biggest etc)

- plus ...que - more ...than -
- je suis plus grand(e) que toi - I am bigger than you
- moins ...que - less ... than -
- elle est moins grande que moi - she is less tall than me
- aussi ...que - as...as-
- nous sommes aussi grand(e)s que notre père - we are as tall as our dad

BUT Good - bon better- **meilleur(e)** le/la meilleur(e)= the best
bad - mauvais(e) worse- **pire** le/la pire - the worst

Superlative

- Le sport le plus populaire – the most popular sport
- La ville la plus visitée – the most visited town
- les matières les plus intéressantes : the most interesting subjects

Après avoir/être

- après avoir mangé - after having eaten
- après avoir fini - after having finished
- après avoir acheté - after having bought
- après être allé(e) - after having gone...
- après être arrivé(e) - after having arrived

Subjunctive

- Bien que ce soit – although it is
- Je ne pense pas que ce soit – I don't think it is
- Pour que je puisse – so that I can

Imperfect

- Quand j'étais plus jeune – when I was younger
- J'aimais... – I used to like
- Je jouais/faisais /allais... – I used to play / do / go
- Je voulais - I wanted to...

Si Clauses

- Si j'avais plus de temps/d'argent ...je ferais/j'achèterais - If I had more time/money..I would do/buy
- Si j'étais plus riche.....je donnerais - If I were more rich..I would give
- Si j'avais l'opportunité....je voyagerais / j'habiterais - If I had the opportunity...I would travel /live



Don't forget to refer to at least **THREE** time frames...



Present

Past

Future

Conditional

Modals...

On peut- you can
On doit -you must
Il faut - you must

Really useful verbs

Il y a - there is /are
Il n'y a pas de - there isn't / aren't
C'est- it is
Je suis - I am
J'ai- I have

Modals...

On pouvait- you could
On devait -you had to
Il fallait - you had to

Really useful verbs

Il y avait - there was /were
Il n'y avait pas de - there wasn't / weren't
C'était- it was
J'étais- I was
J'avais- I had

Modals...

On pourra- you will be able to
On devra-you will have to
Il faudra you will have to

Really useful verbs

Il y aura - there will be
Il n'y aura pas de - there won't be
Ce sera- it will be
Je serai I will be
J'aurai I will have

Modals...

On pourrait- you could
On devrait-you should
Il faudrait you would have to

Really useful verbs

Il y aurait - there would be
Il n'y aurait pas de - there wouldn't be
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I

Je vais I go
Je fais I do/make
Je joue I play
Je travaille I work
Je mange I eat
Je bois I drink
Je finis I finish
Je prends I take
Je voyage I travel
Je sors I go out
Je dors I sleep
Je parle I talk
Je peux I can
Je lis I read

HE/SHE/WE

Il/elle/on va
Il/elle/on fait
Il/elle/on joue
Il/elle/on travaille
Il/elle/on mange
Il/elle/on boit
Il/elle/on finit
Il/elle/on prend
Il/elle/on voyage
Il/elle/on sort
Il/elle/on dort
Il/elle/on parle
Il/elle/on peut
Il/elle/on lit

I

Je suis allé(e) I went
J'ai fait I did
J'ai joué I played
J'ai travaillé I worked
J'ai mangé I ate
J'ai bu I drank
J'ai fini I finished
J'ai pris I took
J'ai voyagé I travelled
Je suis sorti(e) I went out
J'ai dormi I slept
J'ai parlé I talked
J'ai pu I was able
J'ai lu I read

HE/SHE/WE

Il/elle/on est allé(e)
Il/elle/on a fait
Il/elle/on a joué
Il/elle/on a travaillé
Il/elle/on a mangé
Il/elle/on a bu
Il/elle/on a fini
Il/elle/on a pris
Il/elle/on a voyagé
Il/elle/on est sorti(e)
Il/elle/on a dormi
Il/elle/on a parlé
Il/elle/on a pu
Il/elle/on a lu

I

J'irai I will go
Je ferai I will do/make
Je jouerai I will play
Je travaillerai I will work
Je mangerai I will eat
Je boirai I will drink
Je finirai I will finish
Je prendrai I will take
Je voyagerai I will travel
Je sortirai I will go out
Je dormirai I will sleep
Je parlerai I will talk
Je pourrai I will be able
Je lirai I will read

HE/SHE/WE

Il ira
Il/Elle/On fera
Il/Elle/On jouera
Il/Elle/On travaillera
Il/Elle/On mangera
Il/Elle/On boira
Il/Elle/On finira
Il/Elle/On prendra
Il/Elle/On voyagera
Il/Elle/On sortira
Il/Elle/On dormira
Il/Elle/On parlera
Il/Elle/On pourra
Il/Elle/On lira

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Opinions - past tense

j'ai bien aimé - I liked
j'ai beaucoup aimé - I really liked
je n'ai pas beaucoup aimé - I didn't really like
j'ai détesté - I hated
ça m'a beaucoup plu - I really liked it
Giving reasons - past tense
j'ai pensé que - I thought that
j'ai trouvé que - I thought that
j'étais de l'opinion que - I was of the the opinion that
j'étais d'accord que - I agreed that
je n'étais pas d'accord que - I didn't agree that
c'était - it was
ce n'était pas - it wasn't

Giving reasons - future/conditional

ce sera - it will be
ce serait - it would be

Future tense expressions :

Quand je serai grand(e) - When I'm older
J'ai l'intention de + infinitive - I intend to
Je rêve de + infinitive - I dream of