

Le Carnaval des animaux (*'Carnival of the animals'*)

In this unit of work the children will learn how to describe animals and habitats.

They will also be able to tell the time on the hour and half hour, and will be able to ask and answer simple questions.

In this unit children will:

- Name at least 4 different animals (to those already learned)
- Be able to describe these animals
- Remember to make the adjectives agree with the noun they are describing
- Be able to use adjectives and adverbs in their description
- Ask questions of others
- Ask questions, remembering to invert the verb and the subject
- Tell the time on the hour and half hour

Key Vocabulary

Où habites-tu? – Where do you live?

J'habite dans... – I live in...

rapide – fast

lent – slow

rapidement – quickly

lentement – slowly

doucement – softly

fort – strong

Quelle heure est-il? – What time is it?

Il est une heure – It's one o'clock

deux heures – two o'clock

trois heures et demie – half past three

Phonics focus

Ou, ou/u

Prior Learning

Year 3 *Moi!* Asking questions

Year 4 *Portraits* Descriptions

Les Quatre Amis Descriptions of animals

Cross Curricular Links

Science *Living things and their habitats*



Key Knowledge

- The French put their adjectives **after** the noun they are describing.
- If a noun is feminine, add **-e** to the end of the adjective.
- Looking up an adjective in the dictionary will give you the **masculine** form.
- Add **-s** to the end of adjectives if they are describing plural (more than one) nouns.
- Check the gender of words- don't guess!
- When telling the time in French, the **hour** always comes first.
- To say 'half past' in French, you say '*et demie*', which literally means 'and a half'.
- When asking a question in French, you swap around the verb and the subject (like in English)- even at the end of the question, eg *Quelle heure est-il?*
- Most adverbs in French end with **-ment**.



Key Questions

- How do I know if a noun is masculine or feminine?
- Why does the hour come first when telling the time in French?
- Why do we pronounce French words differently to how they are written?
- What is a cognate?

