



Unit Objective: To say what instrument you play in French

By the end of this unit we will be able to:

- Name and recognise up to 10 instruments in French.
- Attempt to spell some of these nouns with their correct definite article/determiner in French.
- Learn how to say I play an instrument in French.

It will help if we already know:

- The letter sounds (phonics & phonemes) from phonics and pronunciation lesson 1.
- Vocabulary from the 'J'apprends le français' unit.
- What a noun and article/determiner is in English.
- What a verb is in English.

Skills we will develop:

To work on improving memory skills. Learning to recognise and learn cognates such as **triangle**, **piano**, **clarinette** first. Starting to build a short phrase in French using personal pronoun (**je**), conjugated verb 1st person verb (**joue**), and partitive article (**du**, **de la** or **des**). Choosing and ordering these words accurately.

Phonics & pronunciation we will see:

Recommended phonics focus: CH OU ON OI



- **OU** sound in **joue**
- **ON** sound in **non** & **violon**
- **Contractions & Silent letters.** When the preposition **de** is followed by the definite article **les** it becomes **des** but the 's' in **des** is silent.
- **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 **violon**, **instruments** and **piano**.

Activities we will complete:

A number of activities with speaking, reading, listening and written tasks to help learn and retain the new vocabulary including word puzzles, word searches, cross-words to help the final task of recalling from memory in oral and written form **je joue** plus the partitive article/determiner and an instrument.

Grammar we will learn & revisit:

Vocabulary we will learn & revisit:

10 common instruments with their appropriate definite article first and then in a short phrase using the partitive article. First person conjugation of the verb **jouer** (**je joue**). All listed on the Vocabulary Sheet.

Nouns, definite articles/determiners and high frequency verb 'jouer' in first person singular only. Using a noun (instrument) with the correct definite article and 1st person singular of verb to play (**jouer**) **je joue**. Learning that nouns in French can have different articles based on their gender (masculine/ feminine nouns) and plurality. Introduction to three definite articles **le**, **la** and **les** ('l' is not seen in this unit). Learning how to categorise nouns in French by their determiner, gender and plurality.