

French Root Mega-Deck — Free

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How to use this sample

This is a free preview of the deluxe pack. Study the three families below, try the practice lines, then check the mini answer key. The full deck has 100 French root families with cognates, practice prompts, and a full answer key.. Buy the complete PDF at studynewlanguages.co/shop/.

Root · spect

Core meanings: look, see, watch Levels: A1-B2

Word	Meaning	Level
spectacle	show, spectacle	A2
spectateur	spectator	A2
inspecter	to inspect	B1
perspective	perspective	B1
respect	respect	A2
soupçonner	to suspect	B1

Cognate bridges: Spanish: espectáculo · Italian: spettacolo · English: spectacle

Practice

1. What core idea does the root «spect» carry?

2. What does «spectacle» mean?

3. What does «spectateur» mean?

4. What does «inspecter» mean?

5. What does «perspective» mean?

Root · dict

Core meanings: say, speak Levels: A1-B1

Word	Meaning	Level
dire	to say	A1
dictionnaire	dictionary	A1
dictée	dictation	A2
prédiquer	to preach	B2
contredire	to contradict	B1
verdict	verdict	B1

Cognate bridges: Spanish: decir · Italian: dire · English: dictionary

Practice

1. What core idea does the root «dict» carry?

2. What does «dire» mean?

3. What does «dictionnaire» mean?

4. What does «dictée» mean?

5. What does «prédiquer» mean?

Root · port

Core meanings: carry, bring Levels: A1-B2

Word	Meaning	Level
porter	to carry / wear	A1
porte	door	A1
transport	transport	A2
important	important	A1
exporter	to export	B1
rapport	report / relationship	B1

Cognate bridges: Spanish: portar, importante · Italian: portare · English: port

Practice

1. What core idea does the root «port» carry?

2. What does «porter» mean?

3. What does «porte» mean?

4. What does «transport» mean?

5. What does «important» mean?

Sample answer key

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→ show, spectacle
3. What does «spectateur» mean?
→ spectator

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2. What does «porter» mean?
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→ door