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French Quiz!

Get to know funny French phrases, words and facts.



Phrases

Can you guess the actual meaning of these funny French phrases?

Pédaler dans la semoule

To pedal in semolina

- **a.** Appearances can be deceiving
- **b.** He's annoying me
- **c.** Have trouble doing something
- **d.** To be very lucky

Ça me fait une belle iambe

It gives me a beautiful leg

- a. Avoid a subject
- **b.** Someone who can't sing
- **c.** I couldn't care less
- d. Don't exaggerate

Les doigts dans le nez

Fingers in the nose

- a. To stand someone up
- **b.** We don't know each other
- c. To be undecided
- d. A piece of cake

Words

What do these funny French words mean?

Chauve-souris

Bold mouse

- a. Bat
- **b.** Racoon
- c. Rabbit
- d. Rat

Soutien-gorge

Throat support

- **a.** Comfort toy or blanket
- **b.** Scapegoat
- **c.** Bra
- d. Lifeguard

Pense-bête

Stupid thought

- a. Scapegoat
- **b.** Reminder note
- c. Party pooper
- d. Pensive

Slang

Can you pick out the correct slang term for these words?

Money

- a. Blé
- **b.** Mec
- c. Piquer
- d. Bouffer

Exhausted

- a. Crevé(e)
- b. Balancer
- c. Pince
- d. Boîte de nuit

Doctor

- a. Poulet
- **b.** Poiscaille
- c. Plouc
- d. Toubib

True or False

It's self-explanatory! Are these statements true or false?

Finished?
Scan code to see answers.



Serena Williams is fluent in French.

The letter "w" is not in the French alphabet.

97 in French is neufante-sept.

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