

Authentic French stories

Durham County Council has a special relationship with the Académie d'Amiens. Advisory teachers in France have recorded a number of short stories suitable for young learners and these are available to watch from our YouTube channel. We have set up a playlist at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OUd4EoePAcw&list=PLF2WByFwdb9idQGPZ_px0fiqzaB3JWILe . The list below gives ideas of both topics and grammatical structures that could be developed using the story in the primary MFL classroom.

1. La moufle by Julie Mellan

Topic: animals

Grammar; nouns, gender

2. Monsieur William by Marie Pierre Hans

Topic: French names

Grammar: Qui ? Who ?

3. Petits point rouges by Altan

Topic: colours, objects which are red

Grammar: nouns, articles

4. Les petits riens by Elisabeth Brami

Topic : Small things in life, which make us happy

Grammar : high frequency verbs in the infinitive

5. Viens jouer avec moi petite souris by Kraus Robert, Dewey Ariane , Aruego José

Topics : animals, family, games

Grammar : verbs in the infinitive

6. La chaise bleue by Claude Boujon

Topic: colours, means of transport

Grammar: nouns, articles

7. Bon appétit Monsieur Lapin by Claude Boujon

Topic : animals, food items

Grammar: 1st person singular of high frequency verb

8. Cocotte tricote by Christine Beigel & Christine Destours

Topics: animals, colours, items of clothing

Grammar: adjectives of colour position and agreement