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Unit II: Conversations with Friends Colleagues

Topic 1 : Days of week and Months



Days of week in French - Jours de la semaine



English	French	Pronunciation
Monday	Lundi	Lun-dee
Tuesday	Mardi	Mar-dee
Wednesday	Mercredi	Mehr-cru-dee
Thursday	Jeudi	Zhuh-dee
Friday	Vendredi	Von-dreh-dee
Saturday	Samedi	Sa-muh-dee
Sunday	Dimanche	Dee-mansh



Days - Jours



1. **“Lundi” comes from the Latin “Lunae dies,” the day of the Moon. The Earth’s moon is also called “la lune” in French.**
2. **“Mardi” is named after the Roman god Mars. Similarly, it’s where we get March from in English.**
3. **“Mercredi” comes from the name of the planet Mercury or the Roman god of commerce.**
4. **“Jeudi” comes from the word Jupiter, referring to either the planet or the Roman god of the sky.**
5. **“Vendredi” stems from the name of the planet Venus or the Roman goddess of love.**
6. **“Samedi” comes from the “sabbatum” or “day of the Sabbath” in Latin, which is the holy day of rest.**
7. **“Dimanche” is another anomaly, as the word stems from “dies Dominica,” which is Latin for the Lord’s day.**



Related vocabulary for discussing the days of the week



- Aujourd'hui – Today
- Hier – Yesterday
- Demain – Tomorrow
- Le week-end – The weekend
- La semaine prochaine – Next week
- La semaine dernière – Last week
- Quelle est la date du jour ? – What is the date today?
- Quel jour est-il ? – What day is it?
- Je travaille du lundi au vendredi. – I work Monday to Friday.



Months of the year - Mois de l'année



English	French	Pronunciation
January	Janvier	Zhahn-vyay
February	Février	Fay-vree-yay
March	Mars	Mars
April	Avril	Ah-vreel
May	Mai	May
June	Juin	Zhwan
July	Juillet	Zhwee-yay
August	Août	Oot
September	Septembre	Sep-tahm-bruh
October	Octobre	Oc-toh-bruh
November	Novembre	No-vahm-bruh
December	Décembre	Day-sahm-bruh



Mois de l'année

- **Janvier** gets its name from a deity called Janus who was reported to have two faces looking sideways, one looking back for events in the past and the other looking forward to symbolizing the future for hope.
- **Février** - It's a month dedicated for purification, and this name was gotten from the Roman festival of two key dieties, Lupercus and Februtis.
- **Mars** - March was named after a God of war called Mars.
- **Avril** - Avril is gotten from the ancient Greek goddess of sexual love and beauty, Aphrodite.
- **Mai** - May's name comes from the Italian Goddess of spring, Maia.
- **Juin** - Juno was the wife of Jupiter and the goddess of marriage and childbirth, playing an important role in Roman mythology



Mois de l'année



- **Juliet** - The month's name came as an honour to Julius Caesar.
- **Août**- This name is also gotten from another Roman leader called Augustus Caesar.
- **Septembre** - The name comes from a word meaning seven because it was originally the 7th month on the calendar.
- **Octobre** - The name for the month originates from the Latin word "octō", which means "eight". In the Roman calendar.
- **Novembre** - The word originates from November, which is derived from the Latin word novem, meaning "nine." In the original Roman calendar, which began in March, November was the ninth month of the year.
- **Décembre** - comes from the Latin December, which is derived from decem, meaning "ten" in Latin. In the ancient Roman calendar, which originally started in March, December was the tenth month of the year.

The original Roman calendar, attributed to Romulus (the founder of Rome), was a 10-month lunar calendar that began in March (Martius) and ended in December (December meaning "ten"). This left a period of about 61 winter days that were not assigned to any month. The Julian calendar regularized the length of the months and aligned the year more closely with the solar cycle. (Hence the difference in the names of Months is justified)



THANK YOU - Merci!