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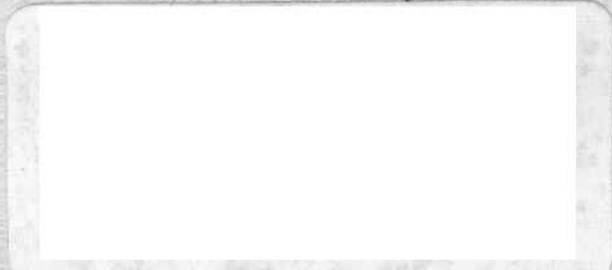
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Introduction

Enhanced coverage

The wordlist has been comprehensively revised to reflect recent additions to both languages and to cover such topics as **computing** and the **Internet**.

A further new feature of the dictionary is the special status given to more complex grammatical words which provide the basic structure of both languages. These *function words* are given a special layout to make them instantly accessible and offer clearly presented translation options and examples, with **short usage notes** to warn of possible pitfalls.

Coverage of verbs has been significantly extended so that all **French verbs** in the text are cross-referenced to the appropriate section of the expanded verb tables. Examples of the three main French verb groups, as well as *avoir* and *être*, are conjugated in the most commonly used tenses.

Easy reference

The dictionary layout has been designed to be **clear**, streamlined, and easy to consult. The wordlist has been fully **alphabetized**, with all English compounds and French hyphenated compounds in their correct alphabetical positions. **Bullet points** separate each new part of speech within an entry, making it easy to scan. Nuances of sense or usage are pinpointed by semantic indicators (in condensed type in round brackets) or by typical collocates (*in italics in round brackets*) with which the word frequently occurs, quickly guiding the user to the appropriate translation. Extra help is given in the form of **symbols** to mark the register of language unambiguously. An exclamation mark [!] indicates colloquial language and a cross [X] indicates slang.

The pronunciation of French

Vowels

a	as in	patte	/pat/	ɑ	as in	pâte	/pat/
ɑ̃		clan	/klɑ̃/	e		dé	/de/
ɛ		belle	/bɛl/	ẽ		lin	/lẽ/
ə		demain	/dəmẽ/	i		gris	/gri/
o		gros	/gro/	ɔ		corps	/kɔʀ/
ɔ̃		long	/lɔ̃/	œ		leur	/lœʀ/
œ		brun	/brœ/	ø		deux	/dø/
u		fou	/fu/	y		pur	/pyʀ/

Semi-Vowels

j	as in	fille	/fij/
ɥ		huit	/ɥit/
w		oui	/wi/

Consonants

Aspiration of 'h'

Where it is impossible to make a liaison this is indicated by '/' immediately after the slash e.g. *haine* /'ɛn/.

b	as in	bal	/bal/	ŋ	as in	camping	/kɑ̃piŋ/
d		dent	/dɑ̃/	p		porte	/pɔʀt/
f		foire	/fwar/	ʀ		rire	/ʀiʀ/
g		gomme	/gɔm/	s		sang	/sɑ̃/
k		clé	/kle/	ʃ		chien	/ʃjẽ/
l		lien	/ljẽ/	t		train	/trẽ/
m		mer	/mɛʀ/	v		voile	/vwal/
n		nage	/naʒ/	z		zèbre	/zɛbr/
ɲ		gnon	/ɲɔ̃/	ʒ		jeune	/ʒœn/

Abbreviations

adjective	<i>adj</i>	adjectif
abbreviation	<i>abbr, abr��v</i>	ab��viation
adverb	<i>adv</i>	adverbe
anatomy	<i>Anat</i>	anatomie
archeology	<i>Archeol, Arch��ol</i>	arch��ologie
architecture	<i>Archit</i>	architecture
motoring	<i>Auto</i>	automobile
auxiliary	<i>aux</i>	auxiliaire
aviation	<i>Aviat</i>	aviation
botany	<i>Bot</i>	botanique
commerce	<i>Comm</i>	commerce
computing	<i>Comput</i>	informatique
conjunction	<i>conj</i>	conjonction
cookery	<i>Culin</i>	culinaire
determiner	<i>det, d��t</i>	d��terminant
electricity	<i>Electr, ��lectr</i>	��lectricit��
figurative	<i>fig</i>	sens figur��
geography	<i>Geog, G��og</i>	g��ographie
geology	<i>Geol, G��ol</i>	g��ologie
grammar	<i>Gram</i>	grammaire
humorous	<i>hum</i>	humoristique
interjection	<i>interj</i>	interjection
invariable	<i>inv</i>	invariable
law	<i>Jur</i>	droit
linguistics	<i>Ling</i>	linguistique
literal	<i>lit</i>	litt��ral
phrase	<i>loc</i>	locution
medicine	<i>Med, M��d</i>	m��decine
military	<i>Mil</i>	arm��e
music	<i>Mus</i>	musique
noun	<i>n</i>	nom
nautical	<i>Naut</i>	nautisme
feminine noun	<i>nf</i>	nom f��minin
masculine noun	<i>nm</i>	nom masculin
masculine and feminine noun	<i>nm, f or nm, f or nm/f</i>	nom masculin et f��minin
computing	<i>Ordinat</i>	informatique

pejorative	<i>pej, péj</i>	péjoratif
philosophy	<i>Phil</i>	philosophie
photography	<i>Photo</i>	photographie
plural	<i>pl</i>	pluriel
politics	<i>Pol</i>	politique
possessive	<i>poss</i>	possessif
past participle	<i>pp</i>	participe passé
prefix	<i>pref, préf</i>	préfixe
preposition	<i>prep, prép</i>	préposition
present participle	<i>pres p</i>	participe présent
pronoun	<i>pron</i>	pronom
psychology	<i>Psych</i>	psychologie
past	<i>pt</i>	prétérit
something	<i>qch</i>	quelque chose
somebody	<i>qn</i>	quelqu'un
railway	<i>Rail</i>	chemin de fer
relative pronoun	<i>rel pron, pron rel</i>	pronom relatif
religion	<i>Relig</i>	religion
somebody	<i>sb</i>	quelqu'un
school	<i>School, Scol</i>	scolaire
sport	<i>Sport</i>	sport
something	<i>sth</i>	quelque chose
technology	<i>Tech</i>	technologie
theatre	<i>Theat, Théât</i>	théâtre
television	<i>TV</i>	télévision
university	<i>Univ</i>	université
American English	<i>US</i>	anglais américain
auxiliary verb	<i>v aux</i>	verbe auxiliaire
intransitive verb	<i>vi</i>	verbe intransitif
reflexive verb	<i>vpr</i>	verbe pronominal
transitive verb	<i>vt</i>	verbe transitif
transitive and intransitive verb	<i>vt/i</i>	verbe transitif et intransitif
translation equivalent	$\approx$	équivalent approximatif
trademark	®	marque déposée
colloquial	☞	familier
slang	☞	argot

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Aa

a /a/ ⇒ AVOIR [5].

à /a/ *préposition*

à+le = au

à+les = aux

....> (avec verbe de mouvement) to.

....> (pour indiquer où l'on se trouve) ~ **la maison** at home; ~ **Nice** in Nice.

....> (âge, date, heure) ~ **l'âge de...** at the age of...; **au XIXe siècle** in the 19th century; ~ **deux heures** at two o'clock.

....> (description) with; **aux yeux verts** with green eyes.

....> (appartenance) ~ **qui est ce stylo?** whose pen is this?; **c'est ~ vous?** is this yours?

....> (avec nombre) ~ **90 km/h** at 90 km per hour; ~ **10 minutes d'ici** 10 minutes from here; **des tomates ~ 3 francs le kilo** tomatoes at 3 francs a kilo; **un timbre ~ 3 francs** a 3-franc stamp; **nous avons fait le travail ~ deux** two of us did the work; **mener 5 ~ 4** to lead 5 (to) 4.

....> (avec être) **c'est ~ moi** it's my turn; **je suis ~ vous tout de suite** I'll be with you in a minute; **c'est ~ toi de décider** it's up to you to decide.

....> (hypothèse) ~ **ce qu'il paraît** apparently; ~ **t'entendre** to hear you talk.

....> (exclamatif) ~ **ta santé!** cheers!; ~ **demain/bientôt!** see you tomorrow/soon!

....> (moyen) ~ **la main** by hand; ~ **vélo** by bike; ~ **pied** on foot; **chauffage au gaz** gas heating.

abaissement /abesmā/ *nm* (de taux, de prix) cut; (de seuil) lowering.

abaisser /abese/ [1] *vt* lower; (*levier*) pull *ou* push down; (fig) humiliate. □ **s'~ vpr** go down, drop; (fig) demean oneself; **s'~ à** stoop to.

abandon /abādō/ *nm* abandonment; (de personne) desertion; (de course)

withdrawal; (naturel) abandon; **à l'~** in a state of neglect.

abandonner /abādōne/ [1] *vt* abandon; (*épouse, cause*) desert; (renoncer à) give up, abandon; (céder) give (**à** to); (*course*) withdraw from; (Ordnat) abort. □ **s'~ à vpr** give oneself up to.

abasourdir /abazurdir/ [2] *vt* stun.

abat-jour /abaʒur/ *nm inv* lampshade.

abats /aba/ *nmpl* offal.

abattement /abatmā/ *nm* dejection; (faiblesse) exhaustion; (Comm) reduction; ~ **fiscal** tax allowance.

abattre /abatr/ [11] *vt* knock down; (*arbre*) cut down; (*animal*) slaughter; (*avion*) shoot down; (affaiblir) weaken; (démoraliser) demoralize; **ne pas se laisser ~** not let things get one down. □ **s'~ vpr** come down, fall (down).

abbaye /abei/ *nf* abbey.

abbé /abe/ *nm* priest; (supérieur d'une abbaye) abbot.

abcès /apse/ *nm* abscess.

abdiquer /abdike/ [1] *vt/i* abdicate.

abdomen /abdōmen/ *nm* abdomen.

abdominal (*pl -aux*) /abdōminal/ *adj* abdominal. **abdominaux** *nmpl* (Sport) stomach exercises.

abeille /abɛj/ *nf* bee.

aberrant, ~e /aberā, -t/ *adj* absurd.

abêtir /abetir/ [2] *vt* turn into a moron.

abîme /abim/ *nm* abyss.

abîmer /abime/ [1] *vt* damage, spoil. □ **s'~ vpr** get damaged *ou* spoilt.

ablation /ablasjō/ *nf* removal.

aboielement /abwamā/ *nm* bark, barking; ~**s** barking.

abolir /abolir/ [2] *vt* abolish.

abondance /abōdās/ *nf* abundance; (prosperité) affluence. **abondant, ~e** *adj* abundant, plentiful.

abonder /abɔ̃de/ [1] *vi* abound (en in); ~ dans le sens de qn agree wholeheartedly with sb.

abonné, ~e /abɔ̃ne/ *nm, f* (lecteur) subscriber; (voyageur, spectateur) season-ticket holder.

abonnement /abɔ̃nmɑ̃/ *nm* (à un journal) subscription; (de bus, Théât) season-ticket; (au gaz) standing charge.

abonner (s') /(s)abɔ̃ne/ [1] *vpr* subscribe (à to).

abord /abɔʁ/ *nm* access; ~s surroundings; d'~ first.

abordable /abɔʁdabl/ *adj* (prix) affordable; (personne) approachable; (texte) accessible.

aborder /abɔʁde/ [1] *vt* approach; (lieu) reach; (problème) tackle. ● *vi* reach land.

aborigène /abɔʁizɛn/ *nm* aborigine.

aboutir /abutir/ [2] *vi* succeed, achieve a result; ~ à end (up) in, lead to; n'~ à rien come to nothing.

aboutissement /abutismɑ̃/ *nm* outcome; (de carrière, d'évolution) culmination.

aboyer /abwaje/ [31] *vi* bark.

abrégé /abʁeʒe/ *nm* summary.

abréger /abʁeʒe/ [14] [40] *vt* (texte) shorten, abridge; (mot) abbreviate, shorten; (visite) cut short.

abreuver /abʁœve/ [1] *vt* water; (fig) overwhelm (de with). □ *s'* ~ *vpr* drink.

abréviation /abʁevjasjɔ̃/ *nf* abbreviation.

abri /abri/ *nm* shelter; à l'~ under cover; (en lieu sûr) safe; à l'~ de sheltered from; se mettre à l'~ take shelter.

abricot /abʁiko/ *nm* apricot.

abriter /abʁite/ [1] *vt* shelter; (recevoir) house. □ *s'* ~ *vpr* (take) shelter.

abrupt, ~e /abʁypt/ *adj* steep, sheer; (fig) abrupt.

abruti, ~e /abʁyti/ *nm, f* [1] idiot.

absence /apsās/ *nf* absence; il a des ~s sometimes his mind goes blank.

absent, ~e /apsɑ̃, -t/ *adj* (personne) absent, away; (chose) missing; il est

toujours ~ he's still away; d'un air ~ absently. ● *nm, f* absentee.

absenter (s') /(s)apsɑ̃te/ [1] *vpr* go ou be away; (sortir) go out, leave.

absolu, ~e /apsɔly/ *adj* absolute.

absorbant, ~e /apsɔʁbɑ̃, -t/ *adj* (travail) absorbing; (matière) absorbent.

absorber /apsɔʁbe/ [1] *vt* absorb; être absorbé par qch be engrossed in sth.

abstenir (s') /(s)apstənir/ [58] *vpr* abstain; s'~ de refrain from.

abstrait, ~e /apstre, -t/ *a & nm* abstract.

absurde /apsyʁd/ *adj* absurd.

abus /aby/ *nm* abuse, misuse; (injustice) abuse; ~ de confiance breach of trust.

abuser /abyze/ [1] *vt* deceive. ● *vi* go too far; ~ de abuse, misuse; (profiter de) take advantage of; (alcool) overindulge in. □ *s'* ~ *vpr* be mistaken.

abusif, -ive /abyzif, -v/ *adj* excessive; (impropre) wrong; (injuste) unfair.

académie /akademi/ *nf* academy; (circonscription) local education authority.

acajou /akaʒu/ *nm* mahogany.

accablant, ~e /akablɑ̃, -t/ *adj* (chaleur) oppressive; (fait, témoignage) damning.

accabler /akable/ [1] *vt* overwhelm; ~ d'impôts burden with taxes; ~ d'injures heap insults upon.

accéder /aksede/ [14] *vi* ~ à (lieu) reach; (pouvoir, trône) accede to; (requête) grant; (Ordinat) access; ~ à la propriété become a homeowner.

accélérateur /akseleratœʁ/ *nm* accelerator.

accélérer /akselere/ [14] *vt/i* accelerate. □ *s'* ~ *vpr* speed up.

accent /aksɑ̃/ *nm* accent; (sur une syllabe) stress, accent; mettre l'~ sur stress; ~ aigu/grave/circonflexe acute/grave/circumflex accent.

accentuer /aksɑ̃tue/ [1] *vt* (lettre, syllabe) accent; (fig) emphasize, accentuate. □ *s'* ~ *vpr* become more pronounced, increase.

accepter /aksept/ [1] *vt* accept; ~ de faire agree to do.

accès /aksɛ/ *nm* access; (porte) entrance; (de fièvre) bout; (de colère) fit; (d'enthousiasme) burst; (Ordinat) access; les ~ de (voies) the approaches to; facile d'~ easy to get to.

accessoire /aksɛswar/ *adj* secondary, incidental. ● *nm* accessory; (Théât) prop.

accident /aksidɑ̃/ *nm* accident; ~ de train/d'avion train/plane crash; par ~ by accident. **accidenté**, ~e *adj* (personne) injured (in an accident); (voiture) damaged; (terrain) uneven, hilly. **accidentel**, ~le *adj* accidental.

acclamer /aklame/ [1] *vt* cheer, acclaim.

accommoder /akomode/ [1] *vt* adapt (à to); (cuisiner) prepare; (assaisonner) flavour. □ *s'*~ de *vpr* make the best of.

accompagnateur, -trice /akɔpanatœr, -tris/ *nm, f* (Mus) accompanist; (guide) guide; ~ d'enfants accompanying adult.

accompagner /akɔpane/ [1] *vt* accompany. □ *s'*~ de *vpr* be accompanied by.

accomplir /akɔplir/ [2] *vt* carry out, fulfil. □ *s'*~ *vpr* take place, happen; (vœu) be fulfilled.

accord /akɔr/ *nm* agreement; (harmonie) harmony; (Mus) chord; être d'~ agree (pour to); se mettre d'~ come to an agreement, agree; d'~! all right!, OK!

accorder /akɔrde/ [1] *vt* grant; (couleurs) match; (Mus) tune; (attribuer) (valeur, importance) assign. □ *s'*~ *vpr* (se mettre d'accord) agree; (s'octroyer) allow oneself; *s'*~ avec (s'entendre avec) get on with.

accotement /akɔtmɑ̃/ *nm* verge; ~ non stabilisé soft verge.

accouchement /akufmɑ̃/ *nm* childbirth; (travail) labour.

accoucher /akufe/ [1] *vi* give birth (de to); (être en travail) be in labour.

● *vt* deliver. **accoucheur** *nm* médecin ~ obstetrician.

accoudoir /akudwar/ *nm* arm-rest.

accoupler /akupl/ [1] *vt* (Tech) couple. □ *s'*~ *vpr* mate.

accourir /akurir/ [20] *vi* run up.

accoutumance /akutymɑ̃s/ *nf* familiarization; (Méd) addiction.

accoutumer /akutyme/ [1] *vt* accustom. □ *s'*~ *vpr* get accustomed.

accro /akro/ *nmf* ① (drogué) addict; (amateur) fan.

accroc /akro/ *nm* tear, rip; (fig) hitch.

accrochage /akroʃaʒ/ *nm* hanging; hooking; (Auto) collision; (dispute) clash; (Mil) encounter.

accrocher /akroʃe/ [1] *vt* (suspendre) hang up; (attacher) hook, hitch; (déchirer) catch; (heurter) hit; (attirer) attract. □ *s'*~ *vpr* cling, hang on (à to); (se disputer) clash.

accroissement /akrwasmɑ̃/ *nm* increase (de in).

accroître /akrwatr/ [24] *vt* increase. □ *s'*~ *vpr* increase.

accroupir (s') /(s)akrupir/ [2] *vpr* squat.

accru, ~e /akry/ *adj* increased, greater.

accueil /akœj/ *nm* reception, welcome.

accueillant, ~e /akœjɑ̃, -t/ *adj* friendly, welcoming.

accueillir /akœjir/ [25] *vt* receive, welcome; (film, livre) receive; (prendre en charge) (réfugiés, patients) take care of, cater for.

accumuler /akymyle/ [1] *vt* (énergie) store up; (capital) accumulate. □ *s'*~ *vpr* (neige, ordures) pile up; (dettes) accrue.

accusation /akyzasjɔ̃/ *nf* accusation; (Jur) charge; l'~ (magistrat) the prosecution.

accusé, ~e /akyze/ *adj* marked. ● *nm, f* defendant, accused.

accuser /akyze/ [1] *vt* accuse (de of); (blâmer) blame (de for); (Jur) charge (de with); (fig) emphasize; ~ réception de acknowledge receipt of.

acharné, ~e /aʃarne/ *adj* relentless, ferocious. **acharnement** *nm* (énergie) furious energy; (ténacité) determination.

acharner (s') /(s)aʃarne/ [1] *vpr* persevere; *s'*~ sur set upon;

(poursuivre) hound; **s'~ à faire** (s'évertuer) try desperately; (s'obstiner) keep on doing.

achat /aʃa/ *nm* purchase; **~s** shopping; **faire l'~ de** buy; **faire des ~s** do some shopping.

acheminer /aʃ(ə)mine/ [1] *vt* dispatch, convey; (*courrier*) handle. **□ s'~ vers** *vpr* head for.

acheter /aʃ(ə)te/ [6] *vt* buy; **~ qch à qn** (pour lui) buy sth for sb; (chez lui) buy sth from sb. **acheteur, -euse** *nm, f* buyer; (client de magasin) shopper.

achèvement /aʃɛvmã/ *nm* completion.

achever /aʃ(ə)ve/ [6] *vt* finish (off). **□ s'~** *vpr* end.

acide /asid/ *adj* acid, sharp. ● *nm* acid.

acier /asje/ *nm* steel.

acné /akne/ *nf* acne.

acompte /akõt/ *nm* deposit, part-payment.

à-côté (*pl* ~s) /akote/ *nm* side issue; **~s** (argent) extras.

acoustique /akustik/ *nf* acoustics (+ *sg*). ● *adj* acoustic.

acquéreur /akerœr/ *nm* purchaser, buyer.

acquérir /akerir/ [7] *vt* acquire, gain; (*biens*) purchase, acquire.

acquis, ~e /aki, -z/ *adj* acquired; (*fait*) established; **tenir qch pour ~** take sth for granted. ● *nm* experience. **acquisition** *nf* acquisition; purchase.

acquitter /akite/ [1] *vt* acquit; (*dette*) settle. **□ s'~ de** *vpr* (*promesse*) fulfil; (*devoir*) discharge.

âcre /akr/ *adj* acrid.

acrobatie /akrɔbasi/ *nf* acrobatics (+ *pl*); **~ aérienne** aerobatics (+ *pl*).

acte /akt/ *nm* act, action, deed; (Théât) act; (Jur) deed; **~ de naissance/mariage** birth/marriage certificate; **~s** (compte rendu) proceedings; **prendre ~ de note**.

acteur /aktœr/ *nm* actor.

actif, -ive /aktif, -v/ *adj* active; (*population*) working. ● *nm* (Comm) assets; **avoir à son ~** have to one's credit *ou* name.

action /aksjõ/ *nf* action; (Comm) share; (Jur) action; (effet) effect; (initiative) initiative. **actionnaire** *nmf* shareholder.

activer /aktive/ [1] *vt* speed up; (*feu*) boost. **□ s'~** *vpr* hurry up; (*s'affairer*) be very busy.

activité /aktivite/ *nf* activity; **en ~** (*volcan*) active; (*fonctionnaire*) working; (*usine*) in operation.

actrice /aktris/ *nf* actress.

actualité /aktʃalite/ *nf* topicality; **l'~** current affairs; **les ~s** news; **d'~** topical.

actuel, ~le /aktʃel/ *adj* current, present; (*d'actualité*) topical.

actuellement *adv* currently, at the present time.

acupuncture /akypõktyr/ *nf* acupuncture.

adaptateur /adaptatœr/ *nm* (Électr) adapter.

adapter /adapte/ [1] *vt* adapt; (*fixer*) fit. **□ s'~** *vpr* adapt (oneself); (Tech) fit.

additif /aditif/ *nm* (note) rider; (substance) additive.

addition /adisjõ/ *nf* addition; (au café) bill; (US) check. **additionner** [1] *vt* add; (*totaliser*) add (up).

adepte /adept/ *nmf* follower; (*d'activité*) enthusiast.

adéquat, ~e /adekwa, -t/ *adj* suitable; (*suffisant*) adequate.

adhérent, ~e /aderã, -t/ *nm, f* member.

adhérer /adere/ [14] *vi* adhere, stick (*à to*); **~ à** (*club*) be a member of; (*s'inscrire à*) join.

adhésif, -ive /adezif, -v/ *adj* adhesive; **ruban ~** sticky tape.

adhésion /adezjõ/ *nf* membership; (*soutien*) support.

adieu (*pl* ~x) /adjø/ *interj* & *nm* goodbye, farewell.

adjectif /adzɛktif/ *nm* adjective.

adjoint, ~e /adzʁwẽ, -t/ *nm, f* assistant; **~ au maire** deputy mayor. ● *adj* assistant.

adjuger /adzɥʒe/ [40] *vt* award; (aux enchères) auction. **□ s'~** *vpr* take (for oneself).

admettre /admɛtr/ [42] *vt* let in, admit; (tolérer) allow; (reconnaître) admit, acknowledge; (*candidat*) pass.

administrateur, -trice

/administratœr, -tris/ *nm, f* administrator, director; (Jur) trustee; ~ de site Internet Webmaster.

administratif, -ive /administratif, -v/ *adj* administrative; (*document*) official. **administration** *nf* administration; (gestion) management; l'A~ Civil Service.

administrer /administre/ [1] *vt* run, manage; (*justice, biens, antidote*) administer.

admirateur, -trice /admiratœr, -tris/ *nm, f* admirer.

admiration /admirasjɔ̃/ *nf* admiration.

admirer /admire/ [1] *vt* admire.

admission /admisjɔ̃/ *nf* admission.

ADN *abrév m* (**acide désoxyribonucléique**) DNA.

adolescence /adolesãs/ *nf* adolescence. **adolescent, ~e** *nm, f* adolescent, teenager.

adopter /adɔpte/ [1] *vt* adopt.

adoptif, -ive *adj* (*enfant*) adopted; (*parents*) adoptive.

adorer /adɔre/ [1] *vt* love; (plus fort) adore; (Relig) worship, adore.

adosser /adɔse/ [1] *vt* lean (à, contre against). □ **s'~** *vpr* lean back (à, contre against).

adoucir /adusir/ [2] *vt* soften; (*boisson*) sweeten; (*chagrin*) ease. □ **s'~** *vpr* soften; (*chagrin*) ease; (*temps*) become milder.

adouissant *nm* (fabric) softener.

adresse /adres/ *nf* address; (*habileté*) skill; ~ électronique e-mail address.

adresser /adrese/ [1] *vt* send; (*écrire l'adresse sur*) address; (*remarque*) address; ~ la parole à speak to. □ **s'~ à** *vpr* address; (*aller voir*) (*personne*) go and ask ou see; (*bureau*) enquire at; (*viser, intéresser*) be directed at.

adroit, ~e /adrwa, -t/ *adj* skilful, clever.

adulte /adylt/ *nmf* adult. ● *adj* adult; (*plante, animal*) fully-grown.

adultère /adylter/ *adj* adulterous. ● *nm* adultery.

adverbe /adverb/ *nm* adverb.

adversaire /adverser/ *nmf* opponent, adversary.

aérer /aere/ [1] *vt* air; (*texte*) space out. □ **s'~** *vpr* get some air.

aérien, ~ne /aerjê, -jen/ *adj* air; (*photo*) aerial; (*câble*) overhead.

aérobic /aerɔbik/ *nm* aerobics (+ *sg*).

aérogare /aerɔgar/ *nf* air terminal.

aéroglesseur /aerɔgliscœr/ *nm* hovercraft.

aérogramme /aerɔgram/ *nm* airmail letter; (US) aerogram.

aéronautique /aerɔnotik/ *adj* aeronautical. ● *nf* aeronautics (+ *sg*).

aéroport /aerɔpɔr/ *nm* airport.

aérospatial, ~e (*mpl -iaux*) /aerɔspasjal, -jo/ *adj* aerospace.

affaiblir /afeblir/ [2] *vt* weaken. □ **s'~** *vpr* get weaker.

affaire /afer/ *nf* affair, matter; (Jur) case; (*histoire, aventure*) affair; (*occasion*) bargain; (*entreprise*) business; (*transaction*) deal; (*question, problème*) matter; ~s (Comm) business; (Pol) affairs; (*problèmes personnels*) business; (*effets personnels*) things; **c'est mon ~** that's my business; **avoir ~ à** deal with; **ça fera l'~** that will do the job; **ça fera leur ~** that's just what they need; **tirer qn d'~** help sb out of a tight spot; **se tirer d'~** get out of trouble.

affairé, ~e /afere/ *adj* busy.

affaïsser (s') /(s)afese/ [1] *vpr* (*terrain, route*) sink, subside; (*poutre*) sag; (*personne*) collapse.

affamé, ~e /afame/ *adj* starving.

affectation /afektasjɔ̃/ *nf* (nomination) (à une fonction) appointment; (*dans un lieu*) posting; (*de matériel, d'argent*) allocation; (*comportement*) affectation.

affecter /afekte/ [1] *vt* (feindre) affect; (*toucher, affliger*) affect; (*destiner*) assign; (*nommer*) appoint, post.

affectif, -ive /afektif, -v/ *adj* emotional.

affection /afeksjɔ̃/ *nf* affection; (*maladie*) complaint.

affectueux, -euse /afektuø, -z/ *adj* affectionate.

affichage /afɪʃaʒ/ *nm* billposting; (électronique) display.

affiche /afiʃ/ *nf* (public) notice; (publicité) poster; (Théât) bill; **être à l'~** (*film*) be showing; (*pièce*) be on.

afficher /afiʃe/ [1] *vt* (*annonce*) put up; (*événement*) announce; (*sentiment*) display; (Ordinat) display.

affirmatif, -ive /afɪrmatif, -v/ *adj* affirmative. **affirmation** *nf* assertion.

affirmer /afirme/ [1] *vt* assert; (soutenir) maintain.

affligé, ~e /aflize/ *adj* distressed; ~ **de** afflicted with.

affluer /aflje/ [1] *vi* flood in; (*sang*) rush.

affolant, ~e /afɔlɑ̃, -t/ *adj* alarming.

affoler /afɔle/ [1] *vt* throw into a panic. □ **s'~** *vpr* panic.

affranchir /afrɑ̃ʃir/ [2] *vt* stamp; (à la machine) frank; (*esclave*) emancipate; (fig) free.

affranchissement *nm* (tarif) postage.

affreux, -euse /afrø, -z/ *adj* (laid) hideous; (mauvais) awful.

affrontement /afrɔ̃tmɑ̃/ *nm* confrontation.

affronter /afrɔ̃te/ [1] *vt* confront. □ **s'~** *vpr* confront each other.

affûter /afyte/ [1] *vt* sharpen.

afin /afɛ̃/ *prép & conj* ~ **de faire** in order to do; ~ **que** so that.

africain, ~e /afrikɛ̃, -ɛn/ *adj* African. **A~, ~e** *nm, f* African.

Afrique /afrik/ *nf* Africa; ~ **du Sud** South Africa.

agacer /agase/ [10] *vt* irritate, annoy.

âge /ɑʒ/ *nm* age; (*vieillesse*) (old) age; **quel ~ avez-vous?** how old are you?; ~ **adulte** adulthood; ~ **mûr** maturity; **d'un certain ~** middle-aged.

âgé, ~e /ɑʒe/ *adj* elderly; ~ **de cinq ans** five years old.

agence /ɑʒɑ̃s/ *nf* agency, bureau, office; (*succursale*) branch; ~ **d'interim** employment agency; ~ **de voyages** travel agency; ~ **publicitaire** advertising agency.

agenda /aʒɛ̃da/ *nm* diary; ~ **électronique** electronic organizer.

agent /aʒɑ̃/ *nm* agent; (*fonctionnaire*) official; ~ (**de police**) policeman; ~ **de change** stockbroker; ~ **commercial** sales representative.

agglomération /aglomerasjɔ̃/ *nf* town, built-up area.

aggraver /agrive/ [1] *vt* aggravate, make worse. □ **s'~** *vpr* get worse.

agile /aʒil/ *adj* agile, nimble.

agir /aʒir/ [2] *vi* act; (se comporter) behave; (avoir un effet) work, take effect. □ **s'~ de** *vpr* (être nécessaire) **il s'agit de faire** we/you etc. must do; (être question de) **il s'agit de faire** it is a matter of doing; **dans ce livre il s'agit de** this book is about; **dont il s'agit** in question; **il s'agit de ton fils** it's about your son; **de quoi s'agit-il?** what is it about?

agitation /aʒitasjɔ̃/ *nf* bustle; (trouble) agitation; (malaise social) unrest.

agité, ~e /aʒite/ *adj* restless, fidgety; (troublé) agitated; (*mer*) rough.

agiter /aʒite/ [1] *vt* (*bras, mouchoir*) wave; (*liquide, boîte*) shake; (troubler) agitate; (discuter) debate. □ **s'~** *vpr* bustle about; (*enfant*) fidget; (*foule, pensées*) stir.

agneau (*pl* ~x) /ɑno/ *nm* lamb.

agrafe /agraf/ *nf* hook; (pour papiers) staple. **agrafeuse** *nf* stapler.

agrandir /agrɑ̃dir/ [2] *vt* enlarge; (*maison*) extend. □ **s'~** *vpr* expand, grow. **agrandissement** *nm* extension; (de photo) enlargement.

agréable /agreabl/ *adj* pleasant.

agréé, ~e /agree/ *adj* (*agence*) authorized; (*nourrice, médecin*) registered; (*matériel*) approved.

agréer /agree/ [15] *vt* accept; ~ **à** please; **veuillez ~, Monsieur, mes salutations distinguées** (personne non nommée) yours faithfully; (personne nommée) yours sincerely.

agrégation /agregasjɔ̃/ *nf* highest examination for recruitment of teachers. **agrégé, ~e** *nm, f* teacher (who has passed the *agrégation*).

agrément /agremɑ̃/ *nm* charm; (plaisir) pleasure; (accord) assent.

agresser /agrese/ [1] *vt* attack; (pour voler) mug.

agressif, -ive /agresif, -v/ *adj* aggressive. **agression** *nf* attack; (pour voler) mugging; (Mil) aggression.

agricole /agrikol/ *adj* agricultural; (*ouvrier, produit*) farm. **agriculteur** *nm* farmer. **agriculture** *nf* agriculture, farming.

agripper /agripe/ [1] *vt* grab. □ **s'~** *vpr* cling (à to).

agroalimentaire /agʁoalimãter/ *nm* food industry.

agrumes /agrym/ *npl* citrus fruit (s).

ai /e/ ⇒ **avoir** [5].

aide /ed/ *nf* help, assistance; (en argent) aid; à l'~ **de** with the help of; **venir en ~ à** help; ~ **à domicile** home help; ~ **familiale** mother's help; ~ **sociale** social security; (US) welfare. ● *nmf* assistant. **aide-mémoire** *nm inv* handbook of key facts.

aider /ede/ [1] *vt/i* help, assist; (subventionner) aid, give aid to; ~ **à faire** help to do. □ **s'~ de** *vpr* use.

aïeul, ~e /ajœl/ *nm, f* grandparent.

aigle /egl/ *nm* eagle.

aigre /egr/ *adj* sour, sharp; (fig) sharp.

aigrir /egrir/ [2] *vt* embitter. □ **s'~** *vpr* turn sour; (*personne*) become embittered.

aigu, ~ë /egy/ *adj* (*douleur, problème*) acute; (*objet*) sharp; (*voix*) shrill; (Mus) high(-pitched); (*accent*) acute.

aiguille /eguij/ *nf* needle; (de montre) hand; (de balance) pointer; ~ **à tricoter** knitting needle.

aiguilleur /eguijœr/ *nm* pointsman; ~ **du ciel** air traffic controller.

aiguiser /eg(u)ize/ [1] *vt* sharpen; (fig) stimulate.

ail (*pl ~s ou aulx*) /aj, o/ *nm* garlic.

aile /el/ *nf* wing.

aillier /elje/ *nm* winger; (US) end.

aïlle /aj/ ⇒ **aller** [8].

ailleurs /ajœr/ *adv* elsewhere, somewhere else; **d'~** besides, moreover; **nulle part ~** nowhere else;

par ~ moreover, furthermore;

partout ~ everywhere else.

aimable /emabl/ *adj* kind.

aimant /emã/ *nm* magnet.

aimer /eme/ [1] *vt* like; (d'amour) love; j'aimerais faire I'd like to do; ~ **bien** quite like; ~ **mieux ou autant** prefer.

ainé, ~e /ene/ *adj* eldest; (de deux) elder. ● *nm, f* eldest (child); (premier de deux) elder (child); ~**s** elders; **il est mon ~** he is older than me *ou* my senior.

ainsi /ēsi/ *adv* like this, thus; (donc) so; **et ~ de suite** and so on; **pour ~ dire** so to speak, as it were; ~ **que** as well as; (comme) as.

air /er/ *nm* air; (mine) look, air; (mélodie) tune; ~ **conditionné** air-conditioning; **avoir l'~** look, appear; **avoir l'~ de** look like; **avoir l'~ de faire** appear to be doing; **en l'~** (up) in the air; (*promesses*) empty; **prendre l'~** get some fresh air.

aire /er/ *nf* area; ~ **d'atterrissage** landing-strip; ~ **de pique-nique** picnic area; ~ **de repas** rest area; ~ **de services** (motorway) services.

aisance /ezãs/ *nf* ease; (richesse) affluence.

aise /ez/ *nf* joy; à l'~ (sur un siège) comfortable; (pas gêné) at ease; (fortuné) comfortably off; **mal à l'~** uncomfortable; ill at ease; **aimer ses ~s** like one's creature comforts; **mettre qn à l'~** put sb at ease; **se mettre à l'~** make oneself comfortable.

aisé, ~e /eze/ *adj* easy; (fortuné) well-off.

aisselle /esel/ *nf* armpit.

ait /ε/ ⇒ **avoir** [5].

ajourner /aʒurne/ [1] *vt* postpone; (*débat, procès*) adjourn.

ajout /aʒu/ *nm* addition.

ajouter /aʒute/ [1] *vt* add (à to); ~ **foi à** lend credence to. □ **s'~** *vpr* be added.

ajuster /aʒyste/ [1] *vt* adjust; (*cible*) aim at; (*adapter*) fit; ~ **son coup** adjust one's aim.

alarme /alarm/ *nf* alarm; **donner l'~** raise the alarm.

alarmer /alarme/ [1] *vt* alarm. □ **s'~** *vpr* become alarmed (**de at**).

Albanie /albani/ *nf* Albania.

alcool /alkɔl/ *nm* alcohol; (eau de vie) brandy; ~ à brûler methylated spirit.

alcoolique *a & nmf* alcoholic.

alcoolisé, ~e *adj* (boisson)

alcoholic. **alcoolisme** *nm*

alcoholism.

alcootest /alkɔtɛst/ *nm* breath test; (appareil) Breathalyzer®.

aléa /alea/ *nm* hazard. **aléatoire** *adj* unpredictable, uncertain; (Ordnat) random.

alentours /alātur/ *nmpl* surroundings; aux ~ de (de lieu) around; (de chiffre, date) about, around.

alerte /alɛrt/ *adj* (personne) alert; (vif) lively. ● *nf* alert; ~ à la bombe bomb scare. **alerter** [1] *vt* alert.

algèbre /alʒɛbr/ *nf* algebra.

Algérie /alʒɛri/ *nf* Algeria.

algue /alg/ *nf* seaweed; les ~s (Bot) algae.

aliéné, ~e /aljɛne/ *nm, f* insane person.

aliéner /aljɛne/ [14] *vt* alienate; (céder) give up. □ **s'~** *vpr* alienate.

aligner /alijne/ [1] *vt* (objets) line up, make lines of; (chiffres) string together; ~ sur bring into line with. □ **s'~** *vpr* line up; **s'~ sur** align oneself on.

aliment /alimā/ *nm* food.

alimentaire /alimāter/ *adj* (industrie) food; (habitudes) dietary; produits ~s foodstuffs.

alimentation /alimātasjɔ̃/ *nf* feeding, supply(ing); (régime) diet; (aliments) food; magasin d'~ grocery shop ou store.

alimenter /alimāte/ [1] *vt* feed; (fournir) supply; (fig) sustain. □ **s'~** *vpr* eat.

allaiter /alete/ [1] *vt* (bébé) breast-feed; (US) nurse; (animal) suckle.

allée /ale/ *nf* path, lane; (menant à une maison) drive(way); (dans un cinéma, magasin) aisle; (rue) road; ~s et venues comings and goings.

allégé, ~e /aleʒe/ *adj* diet; (beurre, yaourt) low-fat.

alléger /aleʒe/ [14] [40] *vt* make lighter; (fardeau, chargement) lighten; (fig) (souffrance) alleviate.

allégresse /alegrɛs/ *nf* gaiety, joy.

alléguer /aleʒe/ [14] *vt* (exemple) invoke; (prétexter) allege.

Allemagne /alman/ *nf* Germany.

allemand, ~e /almā, -d/ *adj* German. ● *nm* (Ling) German. **A~**, ~e *nm, f* German.

aller /ale/ [8]

● *verbe auxiliaire*

....> je vais l'appeler I'm going to call him; j'allais partir I was about to leave; va savoir! who knows?; ~ en s'améliorant be improving.

● *verbe intransitif*

....> (se déplacer) go; allons-y! let's go!; allez! come on!

....> (se porter) comment allez-vous?, comment ça va? how are you?; ça va (bien) I'm fine; qu'est-ce qui ne va pas? what's the matter?; ça ne va pas la tête? [?] are you mad? [?].

....> (mettre en valeur) ~ à qn suit sb; ça te va bien it really suits you.

....> (convenir) ça va ma coiffure? is my hair OK?; ça ne va pas du tout that's no good at all.

□ **s'en aller** *verbe pronominal*

....> go; va-t'en! go away!; ça ne s'en va pas (tache) it won't come out.

● *nom masculin*

....> outward journey; ~ (simple) single (ticket); (US) one-way (ticket); ~ retour return (ticket); (US) round trip (ticket); à l'~ on the way out.

allergie /alɛrʒi/ *nf* allergy.

allergique *adj* allergic (à to).

alliance /aljās/ *nf* alliance; (bague) wedding-ring; (mariage) marriage.

allier /alje/ [45] *vt* combine; (Pol) ally. □ **s'~** *vpr* combine; (Pol) form an alliance; (famille) become related (à to).

allô /alo/ *interj* hallo, hello.

allocation /alɔkasjɔ̃/ *nf* allowance; ~ chômage unemployment benefit; ~s familiales family allowance.

allonger /alɔʒe/ [40] *vt* lengthen; (bras, jambe) stretch (out); (coucher) lay down. □ **s'~** *vpr* get longer;

(s'étendre) lie down; (s'étirer) stretch (oneself) out.

allouer /alwe/ [1] *vt* allocate; (*prêt*) grant.

allumer /alyne/ [1] *vt* (*bougie, gaz*) light; (*lampe, appareil*) turn on; (*pièce*) switch the light(s) on in; (*fig*) arouse. □ **s'~** *vpr* (*lumière, appareil*) come on.

allumette /alymet/ *nf* match.

allure /alyr/ *nf* speed, pace; (*démarche*) walk; (*apparence*) appearance; **à toute ~** at full speed; **avoir de l'~** have style; **avoir des ~s** de look like; **avoir une drôle d'~** be funny-looking.

allusion /alyzjō/ *nf* allusion (*à to*); (*implicite*) hint (*à at*); **faire ~ à** allude to; hint at.

alors /alɔr/ *adv* (*à ce moment-là*) then; (*de ce fait*) so; (*dans ce cas-là*) then; **ça ~!** well!; **et ~?** so what? ● **conj ~** *que* (*pendant que*) while; (*tandis que*) when, whereas.

alouette /alwet/ *nf* lark.

alourdir /alurdir/ [2] *vt* weigh down; (*rendre plus important*) increase.

aloyau (*pl ~x*) /alwajo/ *nm* sirloin.

Alpes /alp/ *nfpl* les ~ the Alps.

alphabet /alfabe/ *nm* alphabet.

alphabétique *adj* alphabetical.

alphabétiser /alfabetize/ [1] *vt* teach to read and write.

alpinist /alpinist/ *nmf* mountaineer.

altérer /altere/ [14] *vt* (*fait, texte*) distort; (*abîmer*) spoil; (*donner soif à*) make thirsty. □ **s'~** *vpr* deteriorate.

alternance /alternās/ *nf* alternation; **en ~** alternately.

altitude /altityd/ *nf* altitude, height.

amabilité /amabilite/ *nf* kindness.

amaigrir /amegrir/ [2] *vt* make thin(ner).

amande /amād/ *nf* almond; (*d'un fruit à noyau*) kernel.

amant /amā/ *nm* lover.

amarre /amar/ *nf* (mooring) rope; ~s moorings.

amas /ama/ *nm* heap, pile.

amasser /amase/ [1] *vt* amass, gather; (*empiler*) pile up. □ **s'~** *vpr* pile up; (*gens*) gather.

amateur /amatœr/ *nm* amateur; ~ *de* lover of; **d'~** amateur; (*péj*) amateurish.

ambassade /ābasad/ *nf* embassy.

ambassadeur, -drice *nm, f* ambassador.

ambiance /ābjās/ *nf* atmosphere.

ambiant, ~e *adj* surrounding.

ambigu, ~ë /ābigy/ *adj* ambiguous.

ambitieux, -ieuse /ābisjō, -z/ *adj* ambitious. **ambition** *nf* ambition.

ambulance /ābylās/ *nf* ambulance.

ambulant, ~e /ābylā, -t/ *adj* itinerant, travelling.

âme /am/ *nf* soul; ~ *sœur* soul mate.

amélioration /ameljɔrasjō/ *nf* improvement.

améliorer /ameljɔre/ [1] *vt* improve. □ **s'~** *vpr* improve.

aménagement /amenaʒmā/ *nm* (*de magasin*) fitting out; (*de grenier*) conversion; (*de territoire*) development; (*de cuisine*) equipping.

aménager /amenaʒe/ [40] *vt* (*magasin*) fit out; (*transformer*) convert; (*territoire*) develop; (*cuisine*) equip.

amende /amād/ *nf* fine; **faire ~** honorable make amends.

amener /am(ə)ne/ [6] *vt* bring; (*causer*) bring about; ~ *qn à faire* cause sb to do. □ **s'~** *vpr* ㊦ turn up.

amer, -ère /amɛr/ *adj* bitter.

américain, ~e /amerikē, -ɛn/ *adj* American. **A~, ~e** *nm, f* American.

Amérique /amerik/ *nf* America; ~ *centrale/latine* Central/Latin America; ~ *du Nord/Sud* North/South America.

amertume /amɛrtym/ *nf* bitterness.

ami, ~e /ami/ *nm, f* friend; (*amateur*) lover; **un ~ des bêtes** an animal lover. ● *adj* friendly.

amiable /amjabl/ *adj* amicable; **à l'~** (*divorcer*) by mutual consent; (*se séparer*) on friendly terms; (*séparation*) amicable.

amical, ~e (*mpl -aux*) /amikal, -o/ *adj* friendly.

amiral (*pl -aux*) /amiral, -o/ *nm* admiral.