Reading, Speaking and Sweet Dreams: Everyday Action Words

French · elementary · kids verbs · children · 6 min

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01 VOCABULARY

Elementary French learning song about kids verbs. The voice drills each chunk with its meaning so the words attach to the sound - listen, then answer in the gaps.

	CHUNK	MEANING	IN CONTEXT
1	**Je lis un livre avant de dormir.**	I read a book before sleeping.	hold open an imaginary storybook in bed
2	**Elle écoute de la musique.**	She listens to music.	cup your hands around your ears and sway
3	**Nous parlons français à l'école.**	We speak French at school.	point to your mouth and wave to a classmate
4	**J'aime lire et écrire.**	I like to read and write.	pretend to trace words with your finger
5	**J'aime parler et écouter.**	I like to speak and listen.	touch your lips then your ears
6	**J'aime manger et boire.**	I like to eat and drink.	pretend to spoon food and sip water
7	**On aime jouer ensemble.**	We like to play together.	clap your hands with a friend
8	**Il est l'heure de dormir.**	It is time to sleep.	tilt your head onto your hands like a pillow

NEW WORDS (12)

lire
to read

lis
read, I read

avant
before

écrire
to write

elle
she

écouter
to listen

musique
music

parler
to speak

parlons
speak, we speak

français
French

manger
to eat

boire
to drink

Practice tip · First listen without reading and just tap the pulse; on the second pass, say each chunk out loud in the pause after the echo.

[SOUND DRILL]

lire

écrire

parler

écouter

manger

boire

[REVIEW]

Il est l'heure d'aller faire dodo.

It is time to go to sleep.

Je mets mon pyjama bleu.

I put on my blue pajamas.

Cet éléphant est très grand.

This elephant is very big.

Ma sœur court plus vite que moi.

My sister runs faster than me.

[CHORUS]

Tout est calme dans la maison.

Tout est calme dans la maison.

Everything is calm in the house.

Bonne nuit, fais de beaux rêves.

Bonne nuit, fais de beaux rêves.

Good night, have beautiful dreams.

[VERSE 1]

Je lis un livre avant de dormir.

I read a book before sleeping.

lis

read, I read

avant

before

Je lis un livre avant de dormir.

I read a book before sleeping.

J'aime lire et écrire.

I like to read and write.

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[VERSE 2]

Elle écoute de la musique.

She listens to music.

elle

she

écouter

to listen

musique

music

Elle écoute de la musique.

She listens to music.

Elle écoute le petit oiseau.

She listens to the little bird.

Elle écoute le petit oiseau.

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[CHORUS]

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[VERSE 3]

Nous parlons français à l'école.
We speak French at school.
parlons
speak, we speak
français
French
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We speak French at school.
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I like to speak and listen.
parler
to speak
J'aime parler et écouter.
I like to speak and listen.

[CHORUS]

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[VERSE 4]

J'aime manger et boire.
I like to eat and drink.
manger
to eat
boire
to drink

J'aime manger et boire.

I like to eat and drink.

On aime jouer ensemble.

We like to play together.

On aime jouer ensemble.

We like to play together.

Il est l'heure de dormir.

It is time to sleep.

Il est l'heure de dormir.

It is time to sleep.

[CHORUS]

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Tout est calme dans la maison.

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Bonne nuit, fais de beaux rêves.

Good night, have beautiful dreams.

[RECAP]

Je lis un livre avant de dormir.

Elle écoute de la musique.

Nous parlons français à l'école.

J'aime lire et écrire.

Grey lines are a reading aid for the script; the singer performs the language itself.

HOW TO USE THIS SONG

1. Listen to the whole song once without reading — just follow the pulse.
2. Listen again while reading the lyrics; let the echo lines carry the meaning.
3. On the third pass, say each chunk out loud in the pause after it is sung.
4. Use one phrase from this sheet today, in a real conversation or out loud.

DRILL MAP

SAY THIS	IT MEANS	WHEN / HOOK
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