Camping Under the Stars: Tents, Fires and Marshmallows

French · preintermediate · kids camping · children · 6 min

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01 VOCABULARY

Preintermediate French learning song about kids camping. 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	**On monte la tente avant la nuit.**	We put up the tent before night.	pretending to pull tent poles up
2	**On fait griller des guimauves sur le feu.**	We toast marshmallows on the fire.	holding a stick over a glowing fire
3	**On regarde les étoiles ensemble.**	We look at the stars together.	lying on the grass and pointing up
4	**Mon sac de couchage est très chaud.**	My sleeping bag is very warm.	wrapping arms around self like a burrito
5	**Le feu de camp est joli.**	The campfire is pretty.	warming hands in front of the flames
6	**Voici une tente pour la nuit.**	Here is a tent for the night.	opening a small tent flap

NEW WORDS (6)

tente
tent

sac de couchage
sleeping bag

feu de camp
campfire

feu
fire

guimauves
marshmallows

griller
to toast

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]

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[REVIEW]

Bonjour, comment tu t'appelles ?

Hello, what is your name?

Le chat est mon animal préféré.

The cat is my favorite animal.

Je prépare une recette avec maman.

I prepare a recipe with mom.

Le train est très rapide.

The train is very fast.

Tu veux venir chez moi samedi ?

Do you want to come to my house on Saturday?

Nous préparons notre valise.

We are packing our suitcase.

[CHORUS]

On monte la tente avant la nuit.

We put up the tent before night.

tente

tent

nuit

night

On fait griller des guimauves sur le feu.

We toast marshmallows on the fire.

guimauves

marshmallows

griller

to toast

feu

fire

On regarde les étoiles ensemble.

We look at the stars together.

[VERSE 1]

Voici une tente pour la nuit.

Here is a tent for the night.

Mon sac de couchage est très chaud.

My sleeping bag is very warm.

sac de couchage

sleeping bag

Le feu de camp est joli.

The campfire is pretty.

feu de camp

campfire

Le feu brille dans la nuit.

The fire shines in the night.

Les étoiles sont dans le ciel.

The stars are in the sky.

On regarde les étoiles avec maman.

We look at the stars with mom.

[CHORUS]

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[VERSE 2]

Le chien est dans le sac de couchage.

The dog is in the sleeping bag.

Je regarde le feu de camp.

I look at the campfire.

Une guimauve est très bonne.

A marshmallow is very good.

Mon ami fait griller la guimauve.

My friend toasts the marshmallow.

Le ciel est noir, les étoiles brillent.

The sky is black, the stars shine.

Regarde le ciel et les étoiles !

Look at the sky and the stars!

Notre tente est grande et jolie.

Our tent is big and pretty.

Ma sœur aime la nuit et les étoiles.

My sister loves the night and the stars.

[CHORUS]

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We toast marshmallows on the fire.

On regarde les étoiles ensemble.

We look at the stars together.

[VERSE 3]

Il fait froid, mets ton pull.

It is cold, put on your sweater.

Le feu est chaud, on est bien.

The fire is warm, we are fine.

Bonne nuit, les étoiles brillent.

Good night, the stars shine.

Voici un sac de couchage, voici un feu de camp.

Here is a sleeping bag, here is a campfire.

[CHORUS]

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We put up the tent before night.

On fait griller des guimauves sur le feu.

We toast marshmallows on the fire.

On regarde les étoiles ensemble.

We look at the stars together.

[RECAP]

On monte la tente avant la nuit.

On fait griller des guimauves sur le feu.

On regarde les étoiles ensemble.

Mon sac de couchage est très chaud.

Bonne nuit, petit bébé.

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

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