

Lesson 28 Words & Phrases from French College Prep

January 4, 2016

- **Bonus:**
- ***Cause célèbre***: a legal case or an event that a lot of people become interested in (Merriam-Webster)
- For a long list of French phrases used in English, see this site:
- <http://www.phrases.org.uk/meanings/french-phrases.html>

The Main 6: How will you remember them?

- 1. *coup d'état*
- 2. *dilettante*
- 3. *esprit de corps*
- 4. *nouveau riche*
- 5. *savoir-faire*
- 6. *tête-a-tête*

Suggestions:

Mark these as the six to know best.

Annotate the definitions with hints, examples, sketches.

Write your own sample sentences.

Try to use each of these today, in a conversation or in writing.

- Practice pronouncing these – see the pronunciation guide in the book.

The Other 4: How will you remember them?

- 1. *élan*
- 2. *entrée*
- 3. *laissez-faire*
- 4. *potpourri*

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Suggestions:

1. Mark these as the 4 to recognize and remember.
2. Annotate the book with examples and hints.
3. Pay especial attention to etymology – how can knowing prefixes, roots, and suffixes help you?
4. Quiz yourself over these each day.

Derivatives

- Turn in your vocabulary and start on this as soon as the bell rings (or before). Work with your buddy.
- Pages 185-186, “Write the Derivatives”

Pick 1 from each category. Use it in an original sentence. Keep it clean, school-appropriate, and concise. Proofread for mechanics. Use ink.

- A. *coup d'état, dilettante, esprit de corps*
- B. *nouveau riche, savoir-faire, tête-a-tête*
- C. *élan, entrée, laissez-faire, potpourri*
- **CHALLENGE:**
- Also, use the following somewhere in your sentences (just once):
cause célèbre, à la mode, déjà vu.
- **Remember to underline (or italicize) foreign words.**
- **You need your own copy of these sentences; mark the date, the lesson, and which one(s) you read aloud to the class.**

Extra Help/ Review

- 1. Admittance, permission to enter, main course at dinner ____
- 2. Usually forceful overthrow of a government, often by the military or rival faction ____
- 3. Policy of noninterference, often in economics ____
- 4. Those who have recently acquired wealth (and are often pretty tacky – think *Housewives of* ____) ____
- 5. Controversial event, like an acquittal in a racially charged case, that has people all over the country interested and ready to argue ____
- 6. Mismatched things, a collection, an aromatic mixture of spices and dried flowers ____

Extra Help/ Review

- 7. Great energy and enthusiasm, style, panache ___
 - 8. In private, without a third person listening, an intimate conversation between two ___
 - 9. Great boredom and lethargy from lack of excitement ___
 - 10. Amateurish, lover of the fine arts, one who is interested in an art or field of study but isn't an expert ___
 - 11. Knack for gracefully doing or saying the right thing ___
 - 12. Feeling of pride and enthusiasm shared by a common group ___
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- *dilettante élan ennui esprit de corps savoir-faire tête-a-tête*

Extra Help/ Review **Answers**

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Extra Help/ Review **ANSWERS**

- 7. Great energy and enthusiasm, style, panache *_élan_*
- 8. In private, without a third person listening, an intimate conversation between two *_tête-a-tête_*
- 9. Great boredom and lethargy from lack of excitement *_ennui_*
- 10. Amateurish, lover of the fine arts, one who is interested in an art or field of study but isn't an expert *_dilettante_*
- 11. Knack for gracefully doing or saying the right thing *_savoir-faire_*
- 12. Feeling of pride and enthusiasm shared by a common group *_esprit de corps_*