

B2 – French word list

Abstract Verbs & Professional Life

1. **Anticiper** (Ahn-tee-see-pay) - To anticipate
2. **Revendiquer** (Ruh-vahn-dee-kay) - To claim / To demand
3. **Assumer** (Ah-soo-may) - To take responsibility / To assume
4. **Gérer** (Zhay-ray) - To manage / To handle
5. **Négocier** (Nay-go-syay) - To negotiate
6. **Entreprendre** (Ahng-truh-prahnd-ruh) - To undertake
7. **Constater** (Kohn-stah-tay) - To note / To observe
8. **Justifier** (Zhoos-tee-fee-ay) - To justify
9. **Persuader** (Pair-swah-day) - To persuade
10. **Témoigner** (Tay-mwan-yay) - To testify / To witness
11. **Approfondir** (Ah-pro-fohn-deer) - To deepen (knowledge)
12. **Déclencher** (Day-klahn-shay) - To trigger
13. **Se consacrer à** (Suh kohn-sah-kray ah) - To devote oneself to
14. **Évaluer** (Ay-val-oo-ay) - To assess / To evaluate
15. **Remettre en question** (Ruh-met-ruh ahng kes-tyohn) - To challenge / To question
16. **Subir** (Soo-beer) - To undergo / To suffer
17. **S'impliquer** (Sam-plee-kay) - To get involved
18. **Lutter** (Loo-tay) - To fight / To struggle
19. **Prétendre** (Pray-tahnd-ruh) - To claim (often falsely)
20. **Tirer profit de** (Tee-ray pro-fee duh) - To benefit from

Society, Politics & Global Issues

21. **La citoyenneté** (Lah see-twah-yen-tay) - Citizenship
22. **Le pouvoir d'achat** (Luh poo-vwahr dah-shah) - Purchasing power
23. **La croissance** (Lah krwah-sahnss) - Growth

- 24. **Le développement durable** (Luh day-vel-op-mahng doo-rah-bluh) - Sustainable development
- 25. **Les inégalités** (Lay-zee-nay-gah-lee-tay) - Inequalities
- 26. **L'asile** (Lah-zeel) - Asylum
- 27. **La laïcité** (Lah lah-ee-see-tay) - Secularism (A key French concept)
- 28. **Le scrutin** (Luh skroo-tang) - The ballot / poll
- 29. **La polémique** (Lah po-lay-meek) - Controversy
- 30. **Le porte-parole** (Luh port-pah-rol) - Spokesperson
- 31. **La précarité** (Lah pray-kah-ree-tay) - Instability / Insecurity
- 32. **Le patrimoine** (Luh pah-tree-mwan) - Heritage
- 33. **La consommation** (Lah kohn-so-mah-syohn) - Consumption
- 34. **Le bénévolat** (Luh bay-nay-vo-lah) - Volunteering
- 35. **La parité** (Lah pah-ree-tay) - Equality / Parity

Nuanced Adjectives

- 36. **Indispensable** (An-dees-pahn-sah-bluh) - Essential
- 37. **Pertinent** (Pair-tee-nahng) - Relevant
- 38. **Ambigu** (Ahm-bee-goo) - Ambiguous
- 39. **Contradictoire** (Kohn-trah-deek-twahr) - Contradictory
- 40. **Nuisible** (Nwee-zee-bluh) - Harmful
- 41. **Paradoxal** (Pah-rah-dok-sal) - Paradoxical
- 42. **Sceptique** (Skep-teek) - Skeptical
- 43. **Flagrant** (Flah-grahng) - Obvious / Flagrant
- 44. **Ephémère** (Ay-fay-mair) - Ephemeral / Short-lived
- 45. **Rigoureux** (Ree-goo-ruh) - Rigorous
- 46. **Polyvalent** (Po-lee-vah-lahng) - Versatile
- 47. **Susciter** (Soo-see-tay) - To arouse / To spark
- 48. **Incontournable** (An-kohn-toor-nah-bluh) - Unmissable / Must-see
- 49. **Médiocre** (May-dee-ok-ruh) - Mediocre
- 50. **Lucide** (Loo-seed) - Lucid / Clear-sighted

Advanced Connectors & Rhetoric

- 51. **D'autant plus que** (Doh-tahng ploo kuh) - Especially as / All the more so
- 52. **Non seulement... mais encore** (Nohn suhl-mahng... may-zahn-kor) - Not only... but also
- 53. **Quitte à** (Keet ah) - Even if it means / At the risk of
- 54. **Par ailleurs** (Par eye-yur) - Furthermore
- 55. **En fin de compte** (Ahng fang duh kohnt) - Ultimately
- 56. **Dans la mesure où** (Dahng lah muh-zoor oo) - Insofar as
- 57. **De peur que** (Duh pur kuh) - For fear that (+ Subjunctive)
- 58. **À l'inverse** (Ah lan-vairss) - Conversely
- 59. **À l'instar de** (Ah lan-star duh) - Like / Following the example of
- 60. **Étant donné que** (Ay-tahng doh-nay kuh) - Given that
- 61. **Pourvu que** (Poor-voo kuh) - As long as / Provided that
- 62. **À l'égard de** (Ah lay-gar duh) - With regard to
- 63. **Au détriment de** (Oh day-tree-mahng duh) - To the detriment of
- 64. **En tant que** (Ahng tahng kuh) - As / In the capacity of
- 65. **Sous réserve de** (Soo ray-zairv duh) - Subject to

Abstract Nouns & Concepts

- 66. **L'enjeu** (Lahn-zhuh) - The stake / issue at hand
- 67. **Le compromis** (Luh kohm-pro-mee) - Compromise
- 68. **La remise** (Lah ruh-meez) - The discount / delivery (also: postponement)
- 69. **Le point de vue** (Luh pwan duh voo) - Point of view
- 70. **La tendance** (Lah tahn-dahnss) - Trend
- 71. **Le paradoxe** (Luh pah-rah-doks) - Paradox
- 72. **L'impact** (Lam-pakt) - Impact
- 73. **Le critère** (Luh kree-tair) - Criterion
- 74. **La contrainte** (Lah kohn-trant) - Constraint
- 75. **Le consensus** (Luh kohn-sahn-sooss) - Consensus

Idiomatic Expressions (The "Natural" Touch)

- 76. **Avoir du mal à** (Ah-vwahr doo mal ah) - To have difficulty doing
- 77. **Se mettre à** (Suh met-ruh ah) - To start doing something
- 78. **Prendre conscience de** (Prahnd-ruh kohn-syahnss duh) - To become aware of
- 79. **Faire face à** (Fair fahss ah) - To face / To cope with
- 80. **Mettre au point** (Met-ruh oh pwan) - To develop / To finalize
- 81. **Savoir gré à** (Sah-vwahr gray ah) - To be grateful to
- 82. **Prendre du recul** (Prahnd-ruh doo ruh-koo-ee) - To step back / Get perspective
- 83. **Mettre en valeur** (Met-ruh ahng vah-luh) - To highlight / To showcase
- 84. **Tenir compte de** (Tuh-neer kohnt duh) - To take into account
- 85. **Il n'en reste pas moins que** (Eel nahn rest pah mwan kuh) - The fact remains that

Media & Communication

- 86. **Le réseau social** (Luh ray-zoh so-syal) - Social network
- 87. **La source** (Lah soors) - Source
- 88. **Diffuser** (Dee-foo-zay) - To broadcast / To spread
- 89. **Censurer** (Sahn-soo-ray) - To censor
- 90. **Le canular** (Luh kah-noo-lar) - Hoax / Prank
- 91. **La cible** (Lah see-bluh) - Target
- 92. **L'influenceur** (Lan-floo-ahn-sur) - Influencer
- 93. **La manipulation** (Lah mah-nee-poo-lah-syohn) - Manipulation
- 94. **Numérique** (Noo-may-reek) - Digital
- 95. **Interactif** (An-tair-ak-teef) - Interactive

Opinion Fillers & Advanced Nuance

- 96. **Globalement** (Glo-bal-mahng) - Overall
- 97. **Notamment** (No-tah-mahng) - Notably / Particularly
- 98. **Prétendument** (Pray-tahng-doo-mahng) - Allegedly
- 99. **Apparemment** (Ah-pah-rah-mahng) - Apparently

100. **Foncièrement** (Fohn-syair-mahng) - Fundamentally