

## Voyage en Francophonie



## Doucement

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*Slowly* is an African nursery rhyme, possibly originated from Congo.

Slowly, slowly, the kind mummies, gently Slowly, slowly, the kind daddies, gently Premier Gaou is a song by Ivorian Zouglou artists Magic System.
The title means "First Fool" in urban Abidjan slang. Recorded in 1999, it became smash indie hit in France three years later.



## Sur Ma Route

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**Santé** ("Cheers") is a 2021 song by Belgian singer Stromae, that celebrates those who don't celebrate.

To those who don't have any Rosa, when we make a mess, you clean up Albert, when we toast you pick up the glasses Celine, you're getting jackets at the coat check Arlette, you spend the party in the bathroom

What if we celebrated those who don't celebrate For once I'd like to raise my glass to those who don't have one





# Ah Les Crocodiles

A French children song telling a tale of crocodiles going to Egypt to fight elephants – just to end up hiding in a river when they see one.

Oh the crocrocro, the crocrocro, the crocodiles, They've gone to to the banks of the Nile, Let's forget about it.



*Les Acadiens* is a French song by Michel Fugain, sung here by Canadian artist Natasha St Pier.

All the Acadians men and women Will sing and dance to the violin They're American Whose fault is it? Napoleon's



(Napoleon sold the French Louisiana to the US in 1803)



## Questions pour un champion !

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### What does the expression "I gave them a beer" mean in Rwanda?

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I gave them a bribe.

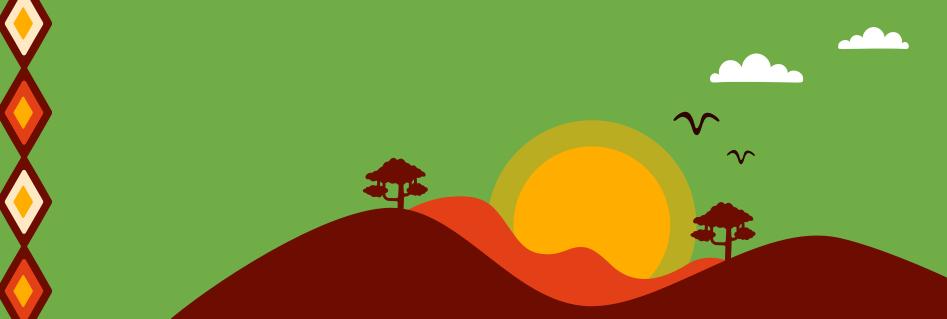
#### In Central African Republic, what is a "ziboulateur"?



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Someone who opens a bottle.

#### What does "magasiner" mean in Acadien?



# In Central African Republic, what is a "ziboulateur"?Go shopping.

#### What does "pull yourself a log" mean in Quebec?



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Take a chair.

#### What is a "chocolate bar" in Senegal?

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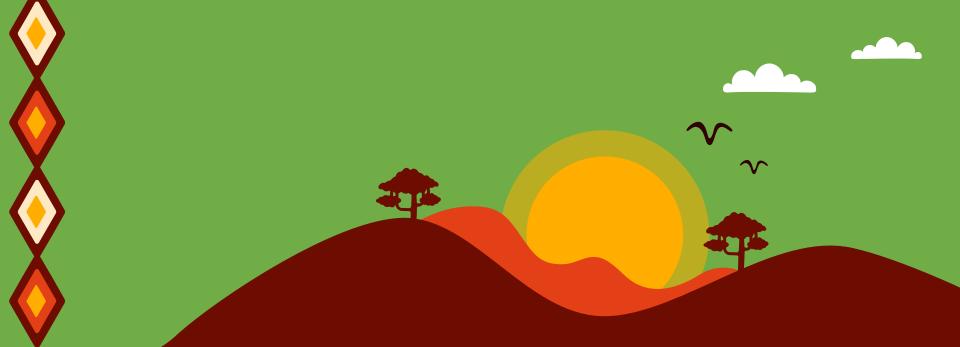
#### A potholed road.



#### What does "Going to grease one's joints" mean in Acadian?

#### Going to dance.

#### What does "tanker son char" mean in Quebec?



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Refuel one's car.



## What is a "treater" for Cajuns?

A healer.





#### What is a "rebel child" in Togo?

#### An unexpected birth.

#### What does "to caimant" mean in Ivory Coast?



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Work hard.

### How do you say "to have sticky feet" in Senegal?



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#### To camember.

#### How do you say "raining a lot" in Quebec?



#### How do you say "raining a lot" in Quebec?

It's raining nails.

#### How do you say "to have a girlfriend" in Quebec?



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To have a blond.

#### What is the word for the noun "smoke" in Quebec?

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### Boucane.

## How do you say "offer a gift" in Tchad?



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"Cadonner".

# How do you say "a long time ago" in Tchad?



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Pasted time (temps passé).

Les cacatoirs (the poopers).

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French-Malian artist Aya Nakamura is France's most streamed singer.

The remix of her song *Nirvana* became in 2022 a viral Tik-Tok phenomenon in Africa and Asia.



# Il était un petit navire

There was a little ship is a children's song.





**Bonjour Vietnam** is a song composed by Marc Lavoine and recorded by Vietnamese-Belgian singer Quynh Anh. This 2021 cover is sung by Vietnamese artist Thuỳ Dung Nhạc Pháp.





# African Poets

He is all blue The blue bird He is blue from beak Blue from feathers And blue from eyes, The blue bird He spreads his wings Two little blue fans then

Like a light blue butterfly He flutters in the azure blue Of the sky in my imagination.

**Toussaint Cossy Guenou** (Togo) Dear white brother When I was born, I was black, When I grew up, I was black, When I'm in the sun, I'm black, When I'm sick, I'm black, When I die, I'll be black.

**Leopold Sedar Senghor** (Senegal)



Dear white brother When I was born, I was black, When I grew up, I was black, When I'm in the sun, I'm black, When I'm sick, I'm black, When I die, I'll be black.

While you, white man, When you were born, you were pink, When you grew up, you were white, When you go in the sun, you turn red, When you're cold, you turn blue When you're scared, you turn green When you're sick, you turn yellow, When you die, you will be grey.

So, between the two of us, Who is the colored man?

**Leopold Sedar Senghor** (Senegal)



# *I love you* is a 2023 French song by is a Congolese-French singer Dadju.





*Rose* is a Congolese nursery rhyme–game in Tshiluba and French.

*Vive le Douanier-Rousseau* is a song from Caribbean group *La Compagnie Créole* praising a place that looks like the exotic paintings of French 19<sup>th</sup> century artist le Douanier-Rousseau.

It's an island lost in the middle of the ocean A marvelous garden, a perpetual show

It's like in the paintings of Douanier Rousseau...



# Ça fait rire les oiseaux

*It Makes The Birds Laugh* is a French song from 1980ies Caribbean group *La Compagnie Créole* (Martinique, Guadeloupe, Guyane Française).

> It makes the birds laugh It makes the bees sing It chases away the clouds And makes the sun shine

It makes the birds laugh And the squirrels dance It adds colors To the colors of the rainbow





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# *Tellement je t'aime* (Tellement n'brick) brought French raï singer of Algerian origin Faudel to fame in 1998.



# Ensemble, Sensibles

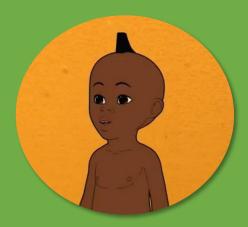
### Together, Sensitive is a 2021 song by Canadian singer Ariane Mofatt.

We come from afar Gray clouds over our early mornings We've lacked colors We're thirsty at heart Full of stories in our heads Our eyes like giant windows Here, take the brushes And the keys to the piano More than ever, school needs to dream More than ever, the world needs beauty

To escape, to think big To feel the same thing at the same time To invent the invisible And touch the sensitive To escape, to see big To feel the same thing at the same time And aim for the invisible Together, sensitive



*Kirikou and the Sorceress* is a 1998 animated adventure fantasy film written drawn from elements of West African folk tales.



# Le baptême de l'air

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Destin is a song by Canadian singer Celine Dion (1995).
It was written by one of France's most beloved singer,
Jean-Jacques Goldman.

Such is my fate I follow my path Thus pass my hours To the persistent rhythm of my heartbeat





Must-see movie! *Aline* by and with Valérie Lemercier

# Lève-Toi (Et Chante)

Stand up and dance (Caterpillar steps) is a Congolese nursery rhyme.

With caterpillar steps, you move forward Lying on your belly, you crawl, you crawl

### Le Plat Pays (The Flat Country) is a song by Belgium singer Jacques Brel.



With the North Sea As the last wasteland And waves of dunes To stop the waves And vague rocks That the tides surpass And which forever have the heart at low tide With endlessly-coming fogs With the East wind Listen to it hold The flat country That is mine

# C'est la vie

## It's life is a 2012 hit song from Algerian raï singer Khaled.







**Sabali** ("patience" in Bambara) is a 2008 song by Malian singers couple Amadou & Mariam, who are both blind.

Patience, Patience is worth everything Patience, patience is good

If you love someone, patience is worth everything If you love a man, patience is worth everything If you love a woman, patience is worth everything Patience, patience, patience is good



# Mama Africa

This song was released in 2021 by French group Kids United featuring Angelique Kidjo et Youssou Ndour.

# **Delf diplomas!**

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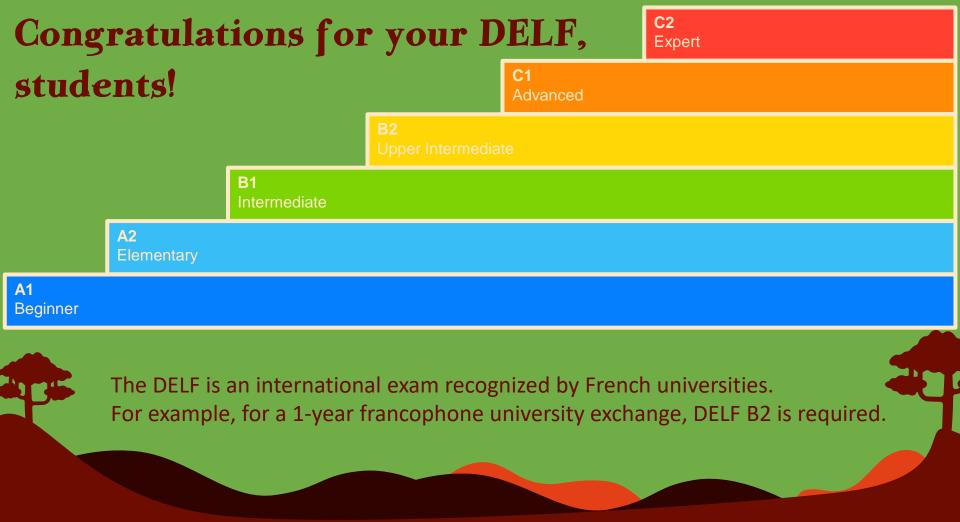
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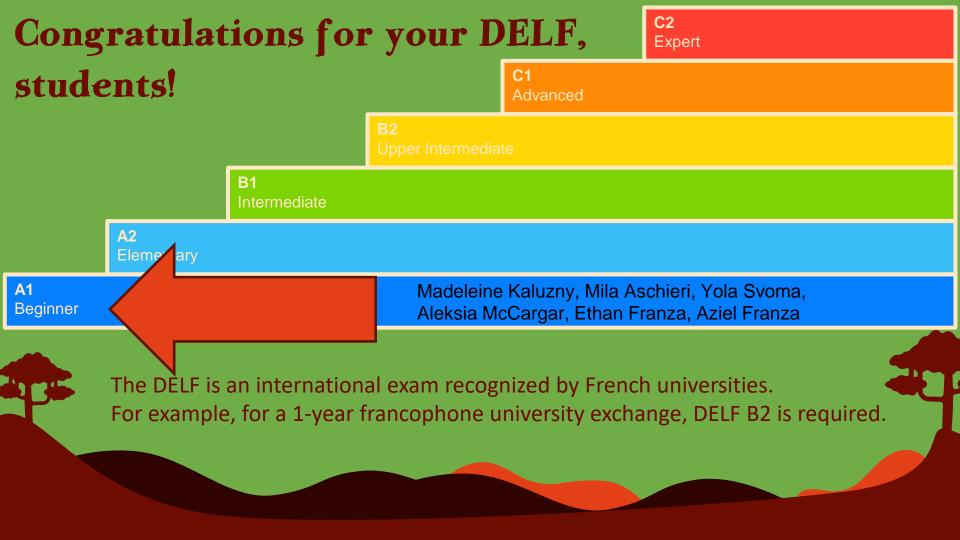
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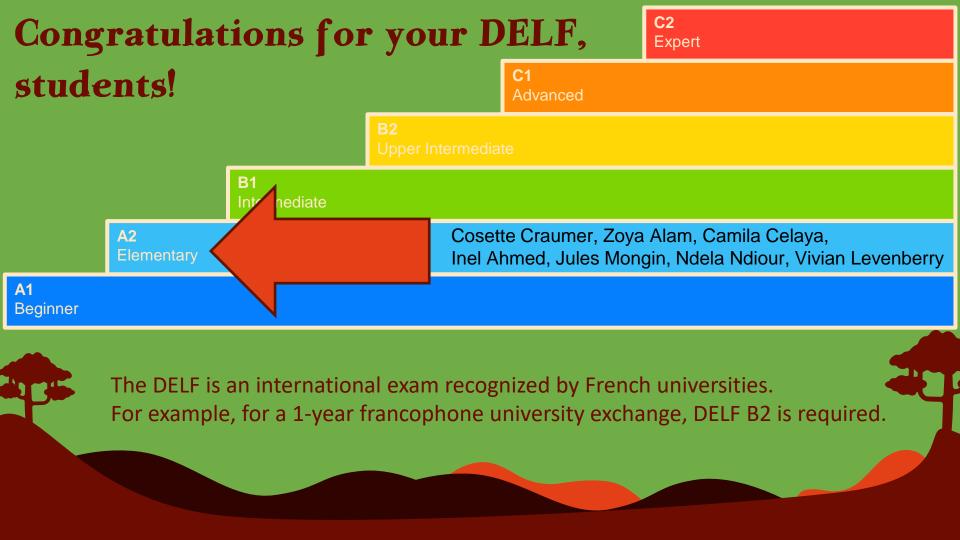
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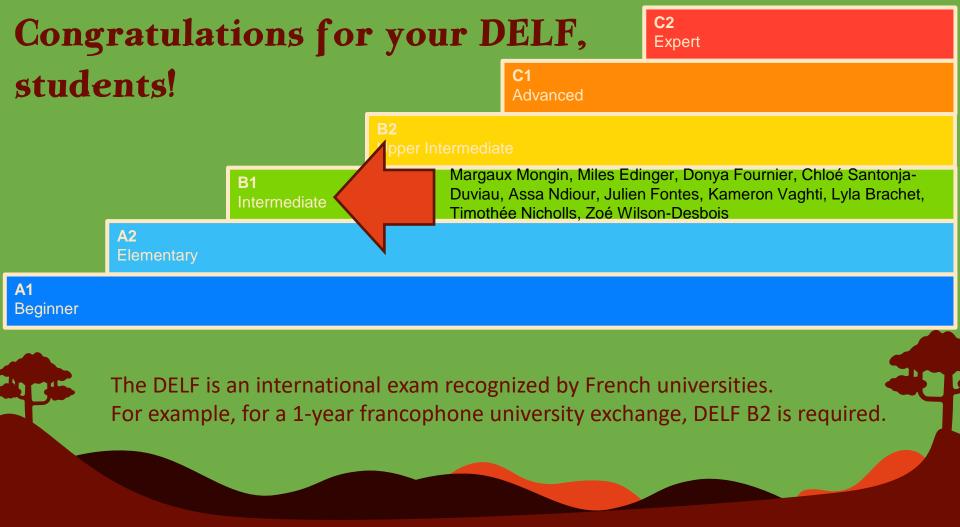
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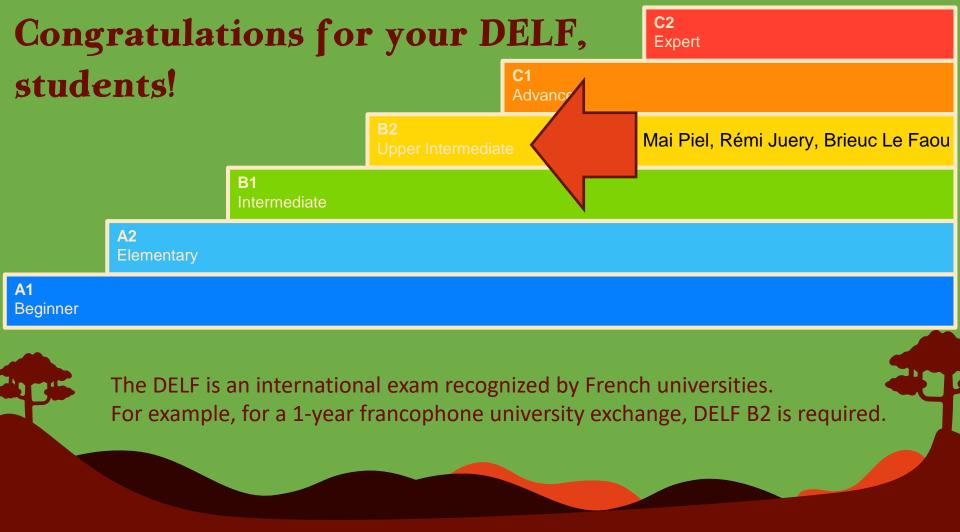
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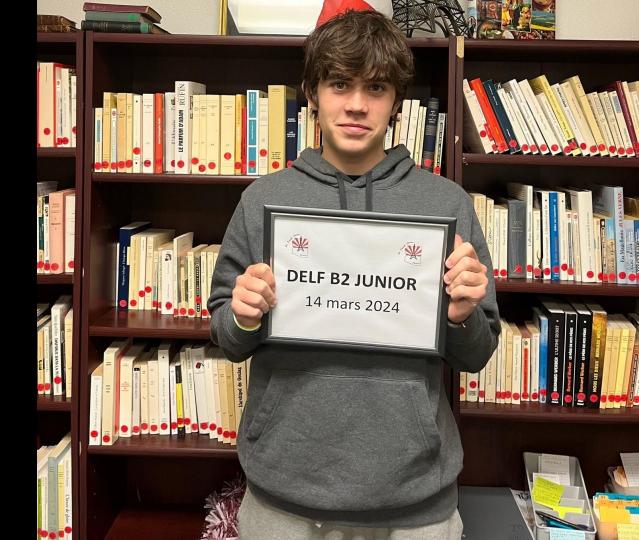
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## Thank you, La French Classe Teachers & assistants!



# Picture Time! All students on stage





#### What about a Rosé-Pamp together?



Rosé-Pamplemousse: French Rose with grapefruit syrup cocktail