

French Alphabet

Vowels

a, e, i, o, u, (y)

Can either be a

consonant or a vowel



↳ like

pronounced like Eng. y
when at the start of
a word

'y' in
happy

Combined French Vowels

au

restaurant

eau

gâteau

ou

rouge

oi

croissoiant

eu

bleeu

œu

œufs

ai

aimer

Accents

é, è, ê, ë

→ fête

↓

crème

↓

Noël

↓

cinéma

different accents = different sounds

Accents

ç before a, o, u

↳ pronounced as 's'

Examples:

↳ français

→ leçon

→ un reçu

Accents

↳ used to differentiate meaning in writing, even when the pronunciation is the same

Examples:

a → à
has → at

ou → où
or → where

la → là
the → there

sur → sûr
on → sure