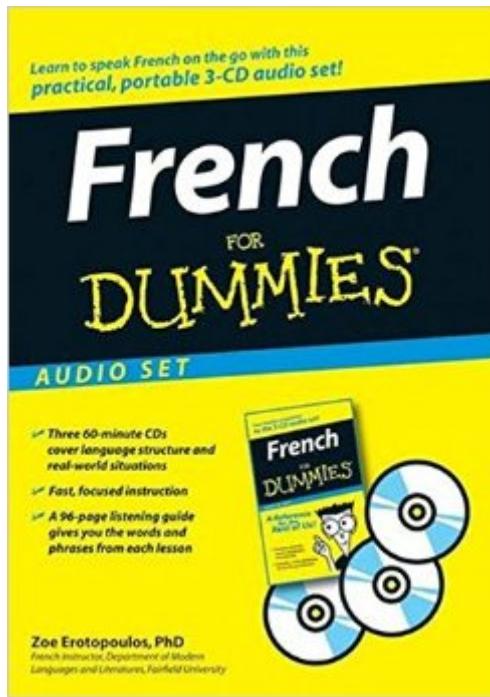


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# French For Dummies Audio Set



## **Synopsis**

You want to learn French but you're not looking to spend hours in front of a textbook becoming fluent. Maybe you took French in school, but remember nothing but boring grammar rules and useless words. Or perhaps you just want to know some words and phrases so that you can communicate on a basic level. Whatever your reason for taking up French, you want a starter course that's fun yet effective. Now you can enjoy practicing with French For Dummies Audio Set! This 3-CD package will enable you to quickly familiarize yourself with the French language and begin communicating with French speakers. With this audio set, you can learn at your own pace about topics that interest you. Some of the subjects you'll be able to talk about include: Greetings and introductions Work, jobs, and office life Making small talk Traveling and making arrangements Asking for directions Getting help and assistance Ordering at a restaurant Booking a room in a hotel Exchanging money at the bank Shopping in a store or boutique Along with all these topics, these CDs cover essential rules and building blocks of the French language, such as verb conjugation and tenses, sentence structure, and vocabulary. It also includes a list of essential words that are used indispensably by French speakers. With this beginner audio set, you can pop any of the CDs in your CD player or computer and discover the joy and fun of the French language!

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

Learning a foreign language isn't easy but this set allows your eyes and ears to work together! I bought this because I'm traveling to St Bart's and want to acquire some proficiency in French.

Regular guide books give you phrases and words with phonetic pronunciation but hearing a French person pronounce the word itself far surpasses sounding out a written phonetic pronunciation. I, for one, was very pleased with the three CD's and the book. I feel they worked very well together. Also, the book itself is small enough to carry in your purse or pocket and provides a quick reference as you travel.

I started my classes in French, the language is difficult and requires much practice pronunciation, these CD's helped me with pronunciation and expand my vocabulary, perfect for when I'm driving. Has been one of my best purchases!

I enjoy the approach of this language lesson set as it divides words and phrases into useful categories such as greetings, calendar, questions, etc. My only complaint is that one of the French speakers, not the English speakers, is not as clearly spoken as some other language disc sets I also use. Otherwise, I think it is very useful when teaching one's self to bring in all the sources possible, giving the learner a variety of inflections and approaches. This is definitely a worthwhile purchase.

I truly enjoyed listening to this set. I just started disk 1 but I already like it very much. I can see I am going to learn a lot. The English speaking lady is well spoken, she has a very nice and relaxed way about her. She explains the words well and then the French speaking man repeats them twice slowly. He is easy to understand and seems to enjoy translating words. They don't sound stupid or phoney. They don't rush through any of the lessons and the phrases they go over seem to actually be useful. This CD set got me excited about learning French and trying out what I learned on everyone at work. The CD doesn't go into details of the French language or why certain words are translated the way they are, it simply gives you a good range of phrases, questions, commonly used words, and topics to help you learn. I don't know if this is going to do me any good in France, but I can't wait to see. I'll probably get laughed at, but hey...I'll be in FRANCE!

For me, this is perfect. I'm trying to learn just enough French to cope in Montreal. I took French in school, but never really learned to hear and speak it. But I remember enough to read a fair amount, so listening to the audio with its exaggerated pronunciation and tips pulls a lot up from the depths of my memory. I've also loaded some other easy French CD's into my car player, so using Dummies along with some of these is perfect for my purposes. I'm way past studying and am not aiming to

become fluent, just able to catch snatches and communicate at a basic level.

I think the product is Great! But only for those who have already have some sort of background with the French Language. Or if you are using this product in supplement to another book. I like how they repeat every word or phrase twice! It really helps, other products only repeat once and I have to constantly rewind or replay. I am starting to remember a lot of the vocab again. I do have to complain about one of the voices, he reads the phrases rather than speak fluidly (for example: "see!..you!...next!...Week!" instead of "see you next week"). I love hands-on learning (in other words tests at end of lessons to see if you remember) and this book doesn't have that. Basically this product is a little pocket book with 3 CDs. I bought this product in preparation for my trip to Paris in a couple of months! I am delighted that this product is helping me be able to connect/communicate with the people there.

Listened to this in my car for several mos prior to my Paris trip in April.. I actually learned basic expressions and got a feel for the cadence of speech. I heartily recommend this as an easy way to be comfortable with French. Also has a carry with you little book with common phrases. Very handy

The lessons are structured by topic and the pronunciation is clear and slow enough for me to follow. I hear the CD's while I drive to and from work...makes my trip more enjoyable.

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