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Chouette alors !

Next Sunday, we are going to participate in the **National French Week Kahoot! Trivia Contest** organized by the **AATF** CT.

To prepare for National French Week and the Kahoot! Contest, read about **cultural aspects of the francophone world**. To do so:

- (1) **Google** and **research facts** about countries where French is spoken, and France too;
- (2) Watch the following **videos** on youtube;
- (3) **write down 8-10 facts** on France, the French culture and the francophone world. Watch the videos below.

Use bullet points, write in English and/or French.

Voici les liens (here are the links):

- What is “la Francophonie”?  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S\\_dIWdIciEE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S_dIWdIciEE)
- Présentation de l’OIF  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EtoB4AdGfNE>
- L’Afrique francophone  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a3Hqfo8FrVA>
- France: 10 interesting fact about French history, customs and places to see  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JGDcDICQswg>
- French trivia questions  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i8npRkpV6lc>

## Did you know that...

1. France has the shape of a hexagon. Therefore, mainland France in Europe is commonly called “l’Hexagone” (its nickname).
2. Paris is divided into 20 arrondissements. Its shape is that of .... a snail!
3. The official language of the *Olympic Games* is French.
4. The French language is also called “la langue de Molière”.
5. The longest river in France is called: La Loire.
6. The wind that blows in the South of France is called “Le Mistral”.
7. La Conciergerie was the first palace of the King of France. It became a prison where Marie-Antoinette and le roi Louis XV were imprisoned. Today it is an administrative court. The palace is located on l’Île de la Cité, next to l’Île Saint-Louis.
8. The Musée du Louvre is the world's most visited museum and the largest one too: the façade is nearly two mile long (more than 3 kilometers). It was the castle of the King of France.
9. Versailles was first a hunting pavilion, then Louis XIV (le roi Soleil) decided to build a castle there... because the Louvre was ... too small!
10. France is divided into 13 *régions* (Hexagone) + 5 *régions d’outre mer*, which are divided into 95 *départements* (en métropole) + 5 *départements d’outre mer* qui sont également des régions : la Guadeloupe (971), la Martinique (972), la Guyane (973), la Réunion (974) et Mayotte (976). The next divisions within a city are *arrondissements*. The smallest division are *cantons and communes*.
11. The newest département of France is called Mayotte (2011), located north of Madagascar, at the tip of South Africa.
12. France is the only country present geographically on more than one continent: Europe, South America, Caribbean, Mediterannee sea, Africa.

**Bon courage et bonne lecture !**