





- **Talk a LOT!** Talk to your teacher, your classmates, or the waiter at the restaurant. Take advantage of every opportunity to practice speaking.
- **Repetition.** Try to use what you learn in class right away, and use it regularly.
- **Don't be afraid to make mistakes!** You WILL say things incorrectly in the beginning. It's all part of the learning process!
- **Practice, practice, practice!** You can practice anytime, anywhere. Even if you are not reading, writing, or doing homework, you can make a conscious effort to practice.
  - Practice saying new words out loud
  - Find a French radio station or look for songs on YouTube
  - Try watching a movie in French
  - Go to public events and experience the culture

Most importantly, **HAVE FUN**! Learning a new language opens up many new doors for both professional development and new social experiences. Take advantage of all the opportunities that this will bring your way!

## Here are a few free resources for practice:

- Websites
  - BBC Languages: <u>http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/french/</u>
  - Linguasorb: <u>http://www.linguasorb.com/french/</u>
  - The French Experiment: <u>http://www.thefrenchexperiment.com/</u>
  - Babbel: <u>http://www.babbel.com/learn-french-online</u>
  - Alison: <u>https://alison.com/learn/french</u>
  - o ieLanguages: <u>http://ielanguages.com/french.html</u>
  - Duolingo: <u>https://www.duolingo.com/course/fr/en/Learn-French-Online</u>
  - Live Mocha: <u>http://livemocha.com/pages/languages/learn-french/</u>
- Cell phone apps:
  - o Learn French Phrasebook
  - o <u>FluentU</u>