

How to count in french (1-1000)

Tip: for 21, 31, 41, 51 and 61, don't forget the 'et' (which means 'and') before the 1 !

Tip n°2: 'chiffre' means digit in french. 'numéro' means number.

How do you count to 10 in french ?

0	zéro	zay-ro
1	un (m) / une (f)	ahn / oone
2	deux	duhr
3	trois	twa
4	quatre	katr
5	cinq	sank
6	six	seece (sounds like 'seas')
7	sept	set
8	huit	weet
9	neuf	nurf
10	dix	dees

French numbers 10-100

Note: 11 to 16 are weird... and then it gets easier. Check it out:

11	onze	onz
12	douze	dooz
13	treize	trez
14	quatorze	kah-tohrz
15	quinze	cans
16	seize	sez
17	dix-sept	dees-set
18	dix-huit	dees-weet
19	dix-neuf	dees-nurf
20	vingt	vahn
21	vingt et un (for feminine: vingt et <u>une</u>)	vahn- tay -ahn
22	vingt-deux	vahn-duhr
23	vingt-trois	vahn-twah
24	vingt-quatre	vahn-katr
25	vingt-cinq	vahn-sank
26	vingt-six	vahn-sees
27	vingt-sept	vahn-set
28	vingt-huit	vahn-weet
29	vingt-neuf	vahn-nurf
30	trente	trawnt
31	trente et un/une	trawnt- tay -ahn / trawnt- tay -
32	trente-deux	trawnt-duhr
33	trente-trois	trawnt-twah
34	trente-quatre	trawnt-katr
35	trente-cinq	trawnt-sank
36	trente-six	trawnt-sees
37	trente-sept	trawnt-set
38	trente-huit	trawnt-weet
39	trente-neuf	trawnt-nurf
40	quarante	kuh-rawnt
41	quarante et un/une	kuh-rawnt- tay -ahn

42	quarante-deux	kuh-rawnt-duhr
43	quarante-trois	kuh-rawnt-twah
44	quarante-quatre	kuh-rawnt-katr
45	quarante-cinq	kuh-rawnt-sank
46	quarante-six	kuh-rawnt-sees
47	quarante-sept	kuh-rawnt-set
48	quarante-huit	kuh-rawnt-weet
49	quarante-neuf	kuh-rawnt-nurf
50	cinquante	sank-awnt
51	cinquante et un/une	sank-awnt- tay -ahn
52	cinquante-deux	sank-awnt-duhr
53	cinquante-trois	sank-awnt-twah
54	cinquante-quatre	sank-awnt-katr
55	cinquante-cinq	sank-awnt-sank
56	cinquante-six	sank-awnt-sees
57	cinquante-sept	sank-awnt-set
58	cinquante-huit	sank-awnt-weet
59	cinquante-neuf	sank-awnt-nurf
60	soixante	swah-sawnt
61	soixante et un/une	swah-sawnt- tay -ahn
62	soixante-deux	swah-sawnt-duhr
63	soixante-trois	swah-sawnt-twah
64	soixante-quatre	swah-sawnt-katr
65	soixante-cinq	swah-sawnt-sank
66	soixante-six	swah-sawnt-sees
67	soixante-sept	swah-sawnt-set
68	soixante-huit	swah-sawnt-weet
69	soixante-neuf	swah-sawnt-nurf

The difficult part (70 to 99): Tips

To sum up, 70 (soixante-dix) means literally 'sixty ten' (60+10). Then, you have 80 (quatre-vingts) which means literally 'four twenties' (4 x 20).

Finally, 90 means literally 'four twenties ten' (4 x 20 + 10).

Note: 71 is 'soixante **et** onze' which means 'sixty **and** eleven'.

70	soixante-dix	swah-sawnt-deese
71	soixante et onze	swa-sont- ay -onz
72	soixante-douze	swah-sawnt-dooz
73	soixante-treize	swah-sawnt-trez
74	soixante-quatorze	swah-sawnt-kah-tohrz
75	soixante-quinze	swah-sawnt-cans
76	soixante-seize	swah-sawnt-sez
77	soixante-dix-sept	swah-sawnt-deese-set
78	soixante-dix-huit	swah-sawnt-dees-weet
79	soixante-dix-neuf	swah-sawnt-dees-nurf
80	quatre-vingts	ka-truh-vahn
81	quatre-vingt-un	ka-truh-vahn- tay -ahn
82	quatre-vingt-deux	ka-truh-vahn-duhr
83	quatre-vingt-trois	ka-truh-vahn-twah
84	quatre-vingt-quatre	ka-truh-vahn-katr
85	quatre-vingt-cinq	ka-truh-vahn-sank
86	quatre-vingt-six	ka-truh-vahn-sees
87	quatre-vingt-sept	ka-truh-vahn-set
88	quatre-vingt-huit	ka-truh-vahn-weet

89	quatre-vingt-neuf	ka-truh-vahn-nurf	60 000	soixante mille	swah-sawnt meel
90	quatre-vingt-dix	ka-truh-vahn-deese	70 000	soixante-dix mille	swah-sawnt-dee meel
91	quatre-vingt-onze	ka-truh-vahn-onz	80 000	quatre-vingts mille	ka-truh-vahn meel
92	quatre-vingt-douze	ka-truh-vahn-dooz	90 000	quatre-vingt-dix mille	ka-truh-vahn-dee meel
93	quatre-vingt-treize	ka-truh-vahn-trez	100 000	cent mille	sawnt meel
94	quatre-vingt-quatorze	ka-truh-vahn-kah-tohrz	200 000	deux cents mille	duhr sawnt meel
95	quatre-vingt-quinze	ka-truh-vahn-cans	1 000 000	un million	ahn mee-lyohng
96	quatre-vingt-seize	ka-truh-vahn-sez	2 000 000	deux millions	duhr mee-lyohng
97	quatre-vingt-dix-sept	ka-truh-vahn-dees-set	1 000 000 000	un milliard	ahn meel yard
98	quatre-vingt-dix-huit	ka-truh-vahn-dees-weet			
99	quatre-vingt-dix-neuf	ka-truh-vahn-dees-nurf			

Pronunciation tip: be careful of the liaison when some words are preceded by 5, 6, 8 or 10. For example, to say '10 minutes' we often say 'dee minute' **not** 'dees minute'. It's not a big deal if you don't pronounce it perfectly, so don't worry about it. It's just good to know !

Cultural note: In Switzerland and Belgium, these numbers are not so confusing: for 70, they use 'septante', for 80, they say 'huitante', and finally for 90, they say 'nonante'.

French numbers 100-1000

100	cent	sawnt
101	cent un	sawnt ahn
102	cent deux	sawnt duhr
110	cent dix	sawnt dees
120	cent vingt	sawnt vahn
130	cent trente	sawnt trawnt
140	cent quarante	sawnt kuh-rawnt
150	cent cinquante	sawnt sank-awnt
160	cent soixante	sawnt swah-sawnt
170	cent soixante-dix	sawnt swah-sawnt-dees
180	cent quatre-vingt	sawnt ka-truh-vahn
190	cent quatre-vingt-dix	sawnt ka-truh-vahn-dees
173	cent-soixante-treize	sawnt swah-sawnt-trez
200	deux cents	duhr sawnt
245	deux cents	duhr sawnt kuh-rawnt-sank
299	deux cents	duhr sawnt ka-truh-vahn-dees-nurf
300	trois cents	twa sawnt
400	quatre cents	katr sawnt
500	cing cents	sank sawnt
600	six cents	see sawnt (<i>don't say: seece sawnt</i>)
700	sept cents	set sawnt
800	huit cents	wee sawnt (<i>don't say: weet sawnt</i>)
900	neuf cents	nurf sawnt
1000	mille	meel

French numbers after 1000

1001	mille un	meel ahn
1050	mille cinquante	meel sank-awnt
1389	mille trois cent quatre-vingt neuf	meel twa sawnt ka-truh-vahn-nurf
2000	deux mille	duhr meel
2025	deux mille	duhr meel vahn-sank
10000	dix mille	dee meel
20000	vingt mille	vahn meel
30000	trente mille	trawnt meel
40000	quarante mille	kuh-rawnt meel
50000	cinquante mille	sank-awnt meel