

**LEARNING NEW LANGUAGE**

**FRENCH CONNECTION**

Do you daydream, daydreaming about living in the world of a foreign country in a language that you must embark upon at least once. Each country, each of its languages and cultures is a different world with its own identity. Our writers have travelled to various countries and can share their experiences. Here are some tips on how to learn French.

**GOOD TO KNOW**

1. **The elephant in the room**
   - This expression comes from a story of an elephant who was too large to be hidden in the room. People often use this expression to refer to something that is obvious but not talked about.

2. **Hold your horses**
   - This expression means to stop doing something or to wait before taking action, usually when someone is close to something being done.

3. **Get someone’s goat**
   - This expression comes from a tradition in horse racing. Thought to come from the idea of a horse racing against a goat. It is used to describe someone who is annoyed or provoked by someone else.

4. **Earworm**
   - An catchy tune or expression that gets stuck in your head and is difficult to get out of your mind.

5. **The elephant in the room**
   - A situation wherein a smaller or less important group is being overlooked or ignored by a larger group.

6. **Run around like a headless chicken**
   - To run around doing a lot of things in a disorganised, chaotic manner.

7. **Eager beaver**
   - An overly enthusiastic person; someone who is very eager and determined.

8. **Ducks in a row**
   - An expression that describes something being well-planned or organised.

9. **Smaller monkeys**
   - An expression that describes something being smaller or less important.

10. **Monkey business**
    - A phrase used to describe something that is secret or confidential.

**Power of the written word**

Writing a pen pal is a great way to connect with people from different parts of the world. It is a way to communicate in a different language, which makes the learning process much more fun. A pen pal can help you improve your language skills and make new friends.

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