Objective

By the end of this lesson, the student will be able to introduce themselves in French, describe their interests, and engage in a simple conversation with a peer using basic vocabulary and phrases.

Materials and Prep

- Notebook and pen/pencil for notes
- Access to a mirror (optional, for practicing pronunciation)
- Basic vocabulary list (to be created during the lesson)
- List of common phrases in French

Before the lesson, the student should familiarize themselves with basic French greetings and the concept of gendered nouns.

Activities

- **Self-Introduction Practice:**

  The student will write a short introduction about themselves in English, then translate it into French using a vocabulary list. They will then practice saying it out loud, focusing on pronunciation.

- **Interest Mapping:**

  The student will create a mind map of their interests and hobbies in English, then label each item in French. This will help them learn vocabulary related to their personal interests.

- **Role-Playing Conversations:**

  Using the vocabulary and phrases learned, the student will pair up with a family member or friend (if available) to role-play a simple conversation in French. They can take turns asking and answering questions about their interests.

- **Pronunciation Game:**

  The student will choose a few French phrases and practice them in front of a mirror. They can record themselves to listen for pronunciation accuracy, making it a fun way to improve their speaking skills.

Talking Points

- "In French, we often use 'Bonjour' to say hello. It's a great way to start a conversation!"
- "Remember that in French, nouns have genders. For example, 'un livre' (a book) is masculine, while 'une table' (a table) is feminine."
- "When introducing yourself, you can say 'Je m'appelle [Your Name]' which means 'My name is [Your Name].'"
- "To talk about your interests, you can use 'J'aime' which means 'I like.' For example, 'J'aime le football' means 'I like football.'"
- "Practice makes perfect! Don't be afraid to make mistakes while speaking; it's part of the learning process."
- "Engaging in conversations, even simple ones, helps you gain confidence in your language skills."