

Bienvenue à Bikini Bottom! French Fun with Spongebob

Materials Needed:

- Pictures or drawings of Spongebob characters (Spongebob, Patrick, Squidward, Sandy, Mr. Krabs)
 - Crayons or colored pencils
 - White paper or printable coloring sheets of Spongebob characters
 - Index cards (optional, for creating flashcards later)
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Lesson Activities:

1. Introduction: Bonjour de Bikini Bottom! (5 minutes)

Let's dive into the French language, just like Spongebob dives into Jellyfish Fields! Do you know who lives in a pineapple under the sea? SpongeBob SquarePants! Today, Spongebob and his friends will help us learn some French!

First, let's learn how to say 'Hello'. In French, you can say **Bonjour** (Bon-zhoor). This is a polite way to say hello, like saying 'Good day'. You can also say **Salut** (Sah-loo). This is more informal, like saying 'Hi!' Practice saying both: 'Bonjour!' 'Salut!'

2. Meet the Characters (Rencontrez les Personnages) (10 minutes)

Let's meet some familiar faces and learn their French names! (Show pictures of characters as you introduce them).

- **Bob l'éponge** (Bob leh-pohnj): Spongebob Squarepants
- **Patrick Étoile** (Pa-treek Ay-twahl): Patrick Star (His last name means 'star!')
- **Carlo Tentacule** (Car-loh Ton-tah-cool): Squidward Tentacles
- **Sandy Écureuil** (Sahn-dee Ay-koo-ruh-yuh): Sandy Cheeks (Her last name means 'squirrel!')
- **Monsieur Krabs** (Muh-syuh Krabs): Mr. Krabs

Let's practice saying their names together. Who is Bob l'éponge's best friend? (Patrick Étoile!) Who plays the clarinet? (Carlo Tentacule!)

3. Colors of the Lagoon (Les Couleurs du Lagon) (15 minutes)

Bikini Bottom is very colorful! Let's learn some French colors:

- **Jaune** (Zhown): Yellow
 - **Rose** (Rohz): Pink
 - **Bleu** (Bluh): Blue
 - **Vert** (Vair): Green (Carlo is often a blue-green color!)
 - **Rouge** (Roozh): Red
 - **Blanc** (Blahn): White (Sandy's suit!)
 - **Brun** (Bruhn): Brown (Spongebob's pants!)
 - **Gris** (Gree): Gray (Like Plankton sometimes?)
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Now, let's connect the colors to our friends:

- Bob l'éponge est... **jaune!** (Spongebob is yellow!)
- Patrick est... **rose!** (Patrick is pink!)
- Carlo est... **bleu** et **vert!** (Squidward is blue and green!)
- Le costume de Sandy est... **blanc!** (Sandy's suit is white!)
- Monsieur Krabs est... **rouge!** (Mr. Krabs is red!)

Activity: Let's color! Get your paper/coloring sheet and crayons. Color the characters. As you color, say the character's French name and the French color you are using. For example, while coloring Spongebob, say "Je colorie Bob l'éponge en jaune." (I am coloring Spongebob yellow). Or simply point and say "Bob l'éponge... jaune!". Label your drawing with the French names and colors if you can!

4. Putting it Together & Practice Game (10 minutes)

Let's practice saying hello and naming characters.

Imagine Patrick sees Spongebob. He might say "**Salut Bob l'éponge!**"

Imagine Sandy sees Mr. Krabs. She might say "**Bonjour Monsieur Krabs!**"

Game: Character & Color Match! Lay out the pictures of the characters. Call out a French color, like "Rose!". The student points to the character that is that color (Patrick). Or, call out a character name, "Carlo Tentacule!". The student points to Squidward and says a color associated with him ("Bleu!" or "Vert!").

5. Au Revoir! (5 minutes)

Great job today exploring French with Bob l'éponge and friends! How do we say goodbye in French? We say **Au revoir** (Oh ruh-vwar)! Let's practice: "Au revoir!"

Review Questions (Assessment):

- How do you say 'Hello' in French? (Bonjour/Salut)
- What is Patrick's name in French? (Patrick Étoile)
- What color is Bob l'éponge? (Jaune)
- How do you say 'Goodbye' in French? (Au revoir)

Optional Follow-up: Make flashcards with the character pictures on one side and their French names on the other. Do the same for colors!