

## Lesson Plan: Reading and Listening Comprehension in French (Intermediate and Advanced Levels)

As a **High School** or **Undergraduate French language** teacher or a teacher of **French as a second language (intermediate or advanced level)**, you can use this set of computer-based tools to teach climate change-related **French vocabulary** through **reading comprehension** and **listening comprehension exercises**.

This lesson plan will allow students of the French language to enhance their reading comprehension and listening comprehension skills through activities that introduce French vocabulary related to climate and climate change. These activities will also help students to learn about impacts of climate change.

Thus, the use of this lesson plan allows you to integrate the teaching of a climate science topic with a core topic in **French language**.

Use this lesson plan to help your students to:

1. Practice and enhance reading and listening skills in French
2. Learn and use French vocabulary related to climate and climate change through reading and listening comprehension exercises

### About the Lesson Plan

**Grade Level:** High School or Undergraduate

**Discipline:** Language: French, Humanities

**Topic(s) in Discipline:** Reading Comprehension, Listening Comprehension, Climate Vocabulary, Climate Change Vocabulary

**Climate Topic:** Introduction to Climate Change

**Location:** Global, Nova Scotia (Canada), Pacific Islands

**Access:** Online

**Language(s):** French, English

**Approximate Time Required:** 40 min

## 1 Contents

### 1. Reading (20 min)

An introductory reading (in French) that provides an overview of climate change, including its causes and consequences. It also briefly describes the projected impacts of climate change in Nova Scotia, Canada. Further, this reading lists commonly used climate- and climate change-related terms and their associated meanings. The document is also available in English.

The reading can be accessed as a downloadable document at:

<https://clean.ns.ca/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/An-introduction-to-climate-change-FR.docx>

The English version of this reading can be accessed at:

<https://clean.ns.ca/programs/youth-engagement/talking-climate-change-with-kids/climate-change-background-info/>

## 2. Classroom Activity: Listening Comprehension (20 min)

An activity module based on a short interview (video format) in French that includes a discussion on the effects of climate change in the Pacific Islands. A set of exercises related to the interview is available for listening comprehension assessment.

This activity module for intermediate or advanced learners of French can be accessed at:

<https://apprendre.tv5monde.com/fr/exercices/b1-intermediaire/la-communaute-du-pacifique-mobilisee-contre-le-changement-climatique>

## 3. Suggested questions/assignments for learning evaluation

A set of questions to help students use the newly acquired French vocabulary in written and spoken exercises:

- Expliquez la différence entre la météo et le climat.
- Quelles sont les causes des changements climatiques?
- Rédigez un article sur les impacts et les conséquences des changements climatiques. Proposez quelques mesures pour l'adaptation à ces impacts.

## 2 Step-by-step User Guide

Here is a step-by-step guide to using this lesson plan in the classroom/laboratory. We have suggested these steps as a possible plan of action. You may customize the lesson plan according to your preferences and requirements.

## 1. Topic introduction and discussion

Use this reading, '[Introduction aux changements climatiques](#)' by Clean Foundation, Canada, to provide an introduction to climate change to your students. Introduce new vocabulary related to climate and climate change through this text. If required, use the English version of the document, '[Climate Change background info](#)' to explain the meaning of new terms and vocabulary. Discuss the projected impacts of climate change in Nova Scotia, Canada. Facilitate an open or group discussion on natural and anthropogenic causes of climate change to help students use the new terms and expressions.

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## 2. Listening Comprehension

Use the activity module '[La Communauté du Pacifique mobilisée contre le changement climatique](#)' from Apprendre le français avec TV5MONDE to help your students to further enhance their vocabulary and to learn about the effects of climate change in the Pacific Islands. Play the embedded video (an interview in French) and use the given set of interactive exercises to assess listening comprehension and vocabulary. (If required, use the available transcript to facilitate better understanding of the content).

This activity module for intermediate or advanced learners of French can be accessed at:

<https://apprendre.tv5monde.com/fr/exercices/b1-intermediaire/la-communaute-du-pacifique-mobilisee-contre-le-changement-climatique>

## 3. Questions/Assignments

Propose the following questions/activities:

- Expliquez la différence entre la météo et le climat.

- Quelles sont les causes des changements climatiques?
- Rédigez un article sur les impacts et les conséquences des changements climatiques. Proposez quelques mesures pour l'adaptation à ces impacts.

## 3 Learning Outcomes

The tools in this lesson plan will enable students to:

1. Practice and enhance reading and listening skills in French
2. Learn and use French vocabulary related to climate and climate change through reading and listening comprehension exercises

## 4 Additional Resources

If you or your students would like to explore the topic of climate change further, this additional resource will be useful.

### 1. Website

Educational resources, from TV5MONDE in partnership with WWF (Le Fonds Mondial pour la Nature), for basic- and intermediate-level learners of French to learn about the impact of climate change on animals.

These resources can be accessed at:

<https://enseigner.tv5monde.com/fiches-pedagogiques-fle/les-animaux-racontent>

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### 1. Reading; 'Introduction aux changements climatiques' and 'Climate change background info'

By [Clean Foundation](#), Canada.

### 2. Classroom Activity; 'La Communauté du Pacifique mobilisée contre le changement climatique'

From [Apprendre le français avec TV5MONDE](#).

### 3. Additional Resources

[Enseigner le français avec TV5MONDE](#) and [WWF](#) (Le Fonds Mondial pour la Nature)