

booking a room

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<p>Learning hint</p> <p>It's much easier to learn the correct pronunciation, spelling and gender of words from the start than to unlearn bad habits later. When you learn vocabulary, always learn it together with le or la (and make a mental note of the gender if it's l'). Rather than saying chambre, say la chambre. It takes no longer when you're learning, but you'll be grateful later because anything other than la with chambre just won't sound right.</p>	
<p>Key language</p> <p>Vous avez une chambre Have you got a room ...pour une personne? ...for one person? ...pour deux personnes? ...for two people? Pour combien de nuits? For how many nights? Pour For ...ce soir ...tonight ...demain soir ...tomorrow night ...trois nuits ...three nights Je voudrais réserver I'd like to book C'est à quel nom? In what name?</p>	<p>une chambre room avec salle de bains with bathroom avec douche with shower de ... à ... from ... to... le petit-déjeuner breakfast inclus/compris included en supplément extra Pas de problème No problem Vous acceptez Do you take ...les cartes de crédit? ...credit cards?</p>
<p>Quiz</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In the context of hotels, you hear cinq étoiles. What does it mean? 2. You're making a hotel booking over the phone and the receptionist asks Votre nom, s'il vous plaît?. What does she want to know? 3. What French word do you look out for when you want the lift? 4. How would you ask in French at the hotel reception desk if they have a double room with bathroom? 5. If you wanted to stay for a week, how would you respond to Pour combien de temps? 6. Add that it's from Saturday 9th to Saturday 16th September. <p>Answers on www.bbc.co.uk/languages/french/answers.shtml</p>	