

FIMW 7000- Everyday French: A Québécois Adventure

This course aims to prepare you to handle simple everyday interactions that you will encounter in francophone regions as well as to introduce you to some particularities you might encounter in the Québécois context. To that end, you will be completing exercises that include both linguistic and cultural components. We have used the setting of a virtual visit to Trois-Pistoles, QC, the town that has been hosting Western's French Immersion program for nearly 90 years. The course has three objectives:

- To familiarize you with simple phrases used in everyday interactions
- To train your ears to the Québécois accent and some Québécois expressions
- To provide you with cultural background information about Trois-Pistoles and the surrounding region

Enjoy your visit to the Basque regions!

Module	Topics introduced
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greetings and introductions • Numbers and the alphabet • Interactions in simple situations (e.g., registering at the school) • An introduction to the town of Trois-Pistoles • The Québécois accent - some common pronunciation tips
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asking for information • Finding your way inside the school and around town (directions) • Classroom expressions • Renting a bike • Road signs in Quebec – fun facts
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Describing yourself (personality, nationality, profession or studies, favourite activities) • Taking part in extracurricular activities and inviting friends along • Talking about your weekly schedule • Telling time • Anglicisms in Quebec
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily interactions in various situations (e.g., in a café, in a store) • Describing objects using colours • Expressions used in medical situations • Describing health concerns (e.g., interacting with a doctor) • Québécois food and specialties of the Bas-Saint-Laurent region

Please note: This is a self-directed, non-graded course open to learners with a variety of levels of experience with French. You can move through the material at your own pace and select to focus on sections that will be most beneficial to your individual needs.