



ADVENTURES IN LANGUAGE



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Jeu de mémoire : Dans ma valise, j'ai mis

Here's a nice little memory game to help you practice French possessive adjectives. Imagine you are a typical French lady of a certain age. You have packed a suitcase to go on holiday with your twin daughters, Lisa and Pauline, and your husband Pierre.

Below is a table showing the items you packed, together with the owner(s) of each item. Make a sentence starting with "Dans ma valise, j'ai mis" and one item. Remember, in order to use the correct possessive adjective, you'll need to determine the gender of the thing itself, the number of items, and who owns them.

Example:

"Dans ma valise, j'ai mis ma robe."

Once you've named one item in your case, name another one:

"Dans ma valise, j'ai mis ma robe et leur maillot de bain."

Keep adding — and remembering all the things. It's a memory game, remember? Playing with someone else is even more fun! You can do this by taking turns naming an additional item from *Madame's* suitcase each time. The list will keep getting longer and longer and the possessive adjectives will most likely keep changing too! The winner is the last person who can correctly name all the items in sequence — with the correct possessive adjectives, of course!

Bonne chance!

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		Moi [Me]	Lisa	Pauline	Pierre
shoes	<i>chaussures</i> (f., pl.)	✓	✓	✓	✓
dress	<i>robe</i> (f., sg.)	✓			
shirt	<i>chemise</i> (f., sg.)				✓
pair of shorts	<i>shorts</i> (m., pl)		✓	✓	
bikini	<i>bikini</i> (m., sg.)	✓			
sun glasses	<i>lunettes de soleil</i> (f., pl.)	✓			✓
pajamas	<i>pyjama</i> (m. sg.)				✓
night gown	<i>chemise de nuit</i> (f., sg.)	✓	✓	✓	
cap	<i>casquette</i> (f., sg.)		✓	✓	✓
sunscreen	<i>crème solaire</i> (f., sg.)	✓	✓	✓	✓
swimsuit	<i>maillot de bain</i> (m., sg.)		✓	✓	✓

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Here are the possible answers:

Dans ma valise j'ai mis nos chaussures ...

Dans ma valise j'ai mis nos chaussures et ma robe

Dans ma valise j'ai mis nos chaussures, ma robe et sa chemise ...

Dans ma valise j'ai mis nos chaussures, ma robe, sa chemise et leurs shorts, ...

Dans ma valise j'ai mis nos chaussures, ma robe, sa chemise, leurs shorts et mon bikini, ...

Dans ma valise j'ai mis nos chaussures, ma robe, sa chemise, leurs shorts, mon bikini et nos lunettes de soleil, ...

Dans ma valise j'ai mis nos chaussures, ma robe, sa chemise, leurs shorts, mon bikini, nos lunettes de soleil et son pyjama, ...

Dans ma valise j'ai mis nos chaussures, ma robe, sa chemise, leurs shorts, mon bikini, nos lunettes de soleil, son pyjama et nos chemises de nuit, ...

Dans ma valise j'ai mis nos chaussures, ma robe, sa chemise, leurs shorts, mon bikini, nos lunettes de soleil, son pyjama, nos chemises de nuit et leur casquette (We assume here that each of them only has one cap), ...

Dans ma valise j'ai mis nos chaussures, ma robe, sa chemise, leurs shorts, mon bikini, nos lunettes de soleil, son pyjama, nos chemises de nuit, leur casquette et nos crèmes solaire (We assume we have one sunscreen each), ...

Dans ma valise j'ai mis nos chaussures, ma robe, sa chemise, leurs shorts, mon bikini, nos lunettes de soleil, son pyjama, nos chemises de nuit, leur casquette, nos crèmes solaire et leurs maillots de bain (We assume here that they all have more than one swimming costume.), ...

