

Masculine and feminine, singular and plural

Everything dealt with so far is about changes that occur because of gender (masculine/feminine) and number (singular/plural). The table below provides a summary.

Grammatical term/ (meaning)	Masc. singular	Fem. singular	Masc. plural	Fem. plural	Special cases
definite article (the)	<i>le</i>	<i>la</i>	<i>les</i>	<i>les</i>	<i>l'</i> in singular if noun starts with vowel or 'h'
indefinite article (a/an)	<i>un</i>	<i>une</i>	—	—	Not needed when describing jobs
partitive article (some/any/of the)	<i>du</i>	<i>de la</i>	<i>des</i>	<i>des</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>de l'</i> in singular if noun with vowel or 'h' • all change to <i>de</i> after a negative
preposition <i>à</i> (to the/at the)	<i>au</i>	<i>à la</i>	<i>aux</i>	<i>aux</i>	<i>à l'</i> in singular if noun starts with vowel or 'h'
possessive adjective (my)	<i>mon</i>	<i>ma</i>	<i>mes</i>	<i>mes</i>	<i>mon</i> if fem. noun starts with vowel or 'h'
(your)	<i>ton</i>	<i>ta</i>	<i>tes</i>	<i>tes</i>	<i>ton</i> if fem. noun starts with vowel or 'h'
(his/her/its)	<i>son</i>	<i>sa</i>	<i>ses</i>	<i>ses</i>	<i>son</i> if fem. noun starts with vowel or 'h'
(our)	<i>notre</i>	<i>notre</i>	<i>nos</i>	<i>nos</i>	
(your)	<i>votre</i>	<i>votre</i>	<i>vos</i>	<i>vos</i>	
(their)	<i>leur</i>	<i>leur</i>	<i>leurs</i>	<i>leurs</i>	
demonstrative adjective (this, that)	<i>ce</i>	<i>cette</i>	<i>ces</i>	<i>ces</i>	<i>cet</i> if masc. noun starts with vowel or 'h'
interrogative adjective (which ...?)	<i>quel</i>	<i>quelle</i>	<i>quels</i>	<i>quelles</i>	
adjective (black)	<i>noir</i>	<i>noire</i>	<i>noirs</i>	<i>noires</i>	normally placed after noun, but some common ones placed before
comparative adjective (blacker)	<i>plus noir</i>	<i>plus noire</i>	<i>plus noirs</i>	<i>plus noires</i>	
superlative adjective (the blackest)	<i>le plus noir</i>	<i>la plus noire</i>	<i>les plus noirs</i>	<i>les plus noires</i>	follow same pattern as ordinary adjectives after/before noun
interrogative pronoun (which one?)	<i>lequel?</i>	<i>laquelle?</i>	<i>lesquels?</i>	<i>lesquelles?</i>	
demonstrative pronoun (that one/those ones)	<i>celui-là</i>	<i>celle-là</i>	<i>ceux-là</i>	<i>celles-là</i>	or <i>-ci</i> to mean 'this one', 'these ones'
possessive pronoun (mine)	<i>le mien</i>	<i>la mienne</i>	<i>les miens</i>	<i>les miennes</i>	
(yours)	<i>le tien</i>	<i>la tienne</i>	<i>les tiens</i>	<i>les tiennes</i>	
(his/hers/its)	<i>le sien</i>	<i>la sienne</i>	<i>les siens</i>	<i>les siennes</i>	
(ours)	<i>le nôtre</i>	<i>la nôtre</i>	<i>les nôtres</i>	<i>les nôtres</i>	
(yours)	<i>le vôtre</i>	<i>la vôtre</i>	<i>les vôtres</i>	<i>les vôtres</i>	
(theirs)	<i>le leur</i>	<i>la leur</i>	<i>les leurs</i>	<i>les leurs</i>	