

Vocabulaire 1-5

Groupe 1

Mots à apprendre

Mot	Classe	Sens	Exemple en contexte
foretell	v.	to predict the future · prédire, annoncer	<i>Old legends foretold a great flood.</i>
plot	v.	to plan secretly, esp. something harmful · comploter, tramer	<i>The ministers plotted to seize the throne.</i>
scheme	v.	to make secret, often dishonest plans · manigancer, intriguer	<i>He schemed his way to the top.</i>
prey	v.	to hunt or exploit (prey on) · s'attaquer à, traquer	<i>Con artists prey on the elderly.</i>
forewarn	v.	to warn in advance · prévenir à l'avance	<i>We were forewarned of the coming cuts.</i>
envision	v.	to picture or foresee · envisager, imaginer	<i>She envisioned a very different future.</i>
herald	v.	to be a sign of something coming · annoncer, être le signe de	<i>The first frost heralds winter.</i>
 earmark	v.	to set aside for a purpose · réserver, destiner	<i>Funds were earmarked for repairs.</i>
eye	v.	to watch with interest or intent · lorgner, viser	<i>He's eyeing a promotion next year.</i>
bode	v.	to be a sign of (good or ill) · présager, augurer	<i>The early results bode well for the team.</i>
brew	v.	to be building up (trouble) · se préparer, couver	<i>A crisis was quietly brewing.</i>
gear up	phrasal	to prepare for action · se préparer (à)	<i>The team geared up for a tough season.</i>
set out	phrasal	to begin with a clear aim · entreprendre, se mettre à	<i>She set out to change the law.</i>
bank on	phrasal	to rely or count on · compter sur, miser sur	<i>Don't bank on good weather.</i>
map out	phrasal	to plan in detail · planifier en détail	<i>He mapped out the whole campaign.</i>

Expressions idiomatiques

Expression idiomatique	Sens
to see something coming	voir venir qqch
to mean business	ne pas plaisanter, être sérieux
the calm before the storm	le calme avant la tempête

Mots à reconnaître

Mot	Classe	Sens	Exemple en contexte
predict	v.	to say what will happen · prédire	<i>Experts predicted a close race.</i>
expect	v.	to think something will happen · s'attendre à	<i>We expect rain later today.</i>
plan	v.	to decide in advance · planifier, prévoir	<i>They planned the trip for months.</i>
promise	v.	to give one's word · promettre	<i>He promised to return by dark.</i>
intend	v.	to have as a plan or purpose · avoir l'intention de	<i>She intends to study abroad.</i>
aim	v.	to direct one's efforts toward · viser, avoir pour but	<i>We aim to finish by Friday.</i>
warn	v.	to tell of a danger · avertir, prévenir	<i>Locals warned them about the woods.</i>
threaten	v.	to state an intention to harm · menacer	<i>Storm clouds threatened the picnic.</i>
target	v.	to aim at or single out · cibler, viser	<i>The campaign targeted young voters.</i>
wish	v.	to want something to be the case · souhaiter	<i>I wish I'd known sooner.</i>
loom	v.	to appear large and threatening · se profiler, menacer	<i>Exams loomed on the horizon.</i>
foresee	v.	to predict or expect · prévoir, anticiper	<i>No one foresaw the collapse.</i>
forecast	v.	to predict (esp. weather, trends) · prévoir, annoncer	<i>They forecast a mild winter.</i>
await	v.	to wait for · attendre	<i>A warm welcome awaited them.</i>
vow	v.	to promise solemnly · jurer, faire le vœu de	<i>He vowed to clear his name.</i>

Groupe 2

Mots à apprendre

Mot	Classe	Sens	Exemple en contexte
presage	v.	to be a sign or warning of · présager, annoncer	<i>The eerie quiet presaged a violent storm.</i>
jeopardise	v.	to put at risk · compromettre, mettre en péril	<i>One mistake could jeopardise everything.</i>
imperil	v.	to put in danger · mettre en péril	<i>The leak imperilled the entire mission.</i>
endanger	v.	to put in danger · mettre en danger	<i>Reckless cuts endanger public safety.</i>
brandish	v.	to wave threateningly · brandir	<i>He brandished a knife at the terrified campers.</i>
connive	v.	to plot or secretly cooperate in wrongdoing · être de connivence, comploter	<i>They connived to hide the truth.</i>
contemplate	v.	to consider as a future possibility · envisager, méditer	<i>She contemplated leaving the company.</i>
angle	v.	to try to obtain by hints or scheming (angle for) · chercher à obtenir, manœuvrer	<i>He was clearly angling for an invitation.</i>
slate	v.	to schedule or plan for a date · programmer, prévoir	<i>The film is slated for a winter release.</i>
preempt	v.	to act first to prevent something · devancer, prévenir	<i>They preempted the strike with an offer.</i>
forebode	v.	to be an advance sign of trouble · présager (un malheur)	<i>The silence foreboded bad news.</i>
harry	v.	to harass or pressure persistently · harceler, talonner	<i>Reporters harried the minister for weeks.</i>
badger	v.	to pester repeatedly · harceler, importuner	<i>She badgered him until he agreed.</i>
dog	v.	to follow and trouble persistently · poursuivre, harceler	<i>Bad luck dogged the expedition.</i>
foment	v.	to stir up (trouble, unrest) · fomentier, attiser	<i>Outsiders fomented the rebellion.</i>

Expressions idiomatiques

Expression idiomatique	Sens
to be on the cards	être probable, dans l'air
to have something up one's sleeve	avoir qqch en réserve
a storm is brewing	un orage couve, une tempête se prépare

Mots à reconnaître

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forthcoming	<i>adj.</i>	about to happen or appear · à venir, prochain	<i>Details of the forthcoming film were leaked.</i>
impending	<i>adj.</i>	about to happen, esp. something bad · imminent, menaçant	<i>They sensed impending disaster.</i>
looming	<i>adj.</i>	approaching and threatening · imminent, menaçant	<i>A looming deadline weighed on them.</i>
imminent	<i>adj.</i>	about to happen very soon · imminent	<i>An attack seemed imminent.</i>
inevitable	<i>adj.</i>	certain to happen · inévitable	<i>Defeat now looked inevitable.</i>
foreseeable	<i>adj.</i>	able to be predicted · prévisible	<i>No change in the foreseeable future.</i>
prospective	<i>adj.</i>	expected to be or happen · potentiel, futur	<i>They interviewed a prospective buyer.</i>
aspiring	<i>adj.</i>	seeking to achieve something · en herbe, aspirant	<i>An aspiring director, she filmed everything.</i>
resolve	<i>n.</i>	firm determination · résolution, détermination	<i>She faced the threat with quiet resolve.</i>
pledge	<i>n.</i>	a solemn promise · engagement, promesse	<i>He made a pledge to return.</i>
peril	<i>n.</i>	serious danger · péril, danger	<i>They pressed on, heedless of the peril.</i>
jeopardy	<i>n.</i>	danger of harm or loss · danger, péril	<i>The whole plan was in jeopardy.</i>
brink	<i>n.</i>	the very edge of something · bord, point critique	<i>The firm was on the brink of collapse.</i>
verge	<i>n.</i>	the point at which something begins · point, seuil	<i>She was on the verge of quitting.</i>
onset	<i>n.</i>	the beginning of something (esp. bad) · début, survenue	<i>The onset of winter slowed everything.</i>

Groupe 3

Mots à apprendre

Mot	Classe	Sens	Exemple en contexte
betoken	v.	to be a sign of · annoncer, présager	<i>His frown betokened trouble ahead.</i>
adumbrate	v.	to foreshadow or outline faintly · préfigurer, esquisser	<i>The opening scene adumbrates the tragedy.</i>
harbinger	n.	a sign of what is to come · signe avant-coureur, présage	<i>The swallows are a harbinger of spring.</i>
portent	n.	a sign or warning of a future event · présage, signe	<i>They saw the comet as a dark portent.</i>
omen	n.	a sign of future good or evil · présage, augure	<i>A black cat was once thought a bad omen.</i>
machinate	v.	to scheme or plot artfully · machiner, intriguer	<i>Rivals machinated behind the scenes.</i>
mastermind	v.	to plan and direct cleverly · orchestrer, être le cerveau de	<i>She masterminded the whole takeover.</i>
bedevil	v.	to trouble or beset persistently · tourmenter, empoisonner	<i>Delays bedevilled the project.</i>
plague	v.	to cause continual trouble to · assaillir, harceler	<i>Doubts plagued him for years.</i>
ordain	v.	to order or decree (esp. by fate) · décréter, ordonner	<i>Fate seemed to have ordained their meeting.</i>
consign	v.	to assign to an unwelcome fate · reléguer, vouer	<i>The defeat consigned them to obscurity.</i>
entrap	v.	to catch in a trap or scheme · piéger, prendre au piège	<i>The deal entrapped them in debt.</i>
jinx	v.	to bring bad luck to · porter la poisse à	<i>Don't say it — you'll jinx the whole thing.</i>
blight	v.	to spoil or ruin · gâcher, anéantir	<i>Scandal blighted his later career.</i>
scupper	v.	to ruin or thwart (a plan) · saborder, faire échouer	<i>A single objection scuppered the merger.</i>

Expressions idiomatiques

Expression idiomatique	Sens
to read the writing on the wall	voir les signes annonciateurs
to be a recipe for disaster	courir au désastre
to have designs on something	avoir des vues sur qqch

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premonition	<i>n.</i>	a feeling that something is about to happen · prémonition, pressentiment	<i>She had a premonition of danger.</i>
presentiment	<i>n.</i>	a vague sense of a future event · pressentiment	<i>A presentiment of loss haunted him.</i>
prognosis	<i>n.</i>	a forecast of how things will develop · pronostic, prévision	<i>The prognosis for the industry is grim.</i>
augury	<i>n.</i>	a sign of what will happen · augure, présage	<i>They read auguries in the flight of birds.</i>
auspices	<i>n.</i>	signs or patronage indicating an outcome · auspices	<i>The venture began under poor auspices.</i>
prophecy	<i>n.</i>	a prediction of the future · prophétie	<i>An old prophecy spoke of a returning king.</i>
prophetic	<i>adj.</i>	accurately predicting the future · prophétique	<i>His warning proved prophetic.</i>
fateful	<i>adj.</i>	having important, often disastrous consequences · fatidique	<i>It was a fateful decision.</i>
ill-fated	<i>adj.</i>	doomed to misfortune · voué à l'échec, malheureux	<i>The ill-fated voyage ended in disaster.</i>
inexorable	<i>adj.</i>	impossible to stop or prevent · inexorable, implacable	<i>Nothing slowed the inexorable march of time.</i>
foregone	<i>adj.</i>	already decided in advance · couru d'avance	<i>Victory was a foregone conclusion.</i>
inescapable	<i>adj.</i>	unable to be avoided · inéluçtable, inévitable	<i>The conclusion was inescapable.</i>
doom-laden	<i>adj.</i>	full of foreboding · sinistre, lourd de menaces	<i>He spoke in a doom-laden voice.</i>
foretaste	<i>n.</i>	a small advance experience of what is to come · avant-goût	<i>The first match was a foretaste of the season.</i>
auspicious	<i>adj.</i>	promising future success · de bon augure, prometteur	<i>It was an auspicious start.</i>