

Vocabulaire 2-6

Groupe 1

Mots à apprendre

Mot	Sens	Équivalent	Exemple
slice (n)	a thin flat piece cut from something	tranche	<i>Viago cuts a neat slice of cake for the guest.</i>
loaf (n)	a whole shaped piece of baked bread	miche, pain (entier)	<i>A stale loaf of bread sits forgotten on the shelf.</i>
jar (n)	a glass container with a lid	bocal, pot	<i>There is an old jar of pickled something in the fridge.</i>
crumb (n)	a tiny piece of bread or cake	miette	<i>Not a single crumb is left after Petyr eats.</i>
chunk (n)	a thick, solid piece	gros morceau	<i>He tears off a chunk of raw meat.</i>
heap (n)	an untidy pile	tas, monceau	<i>A heap of dirty plates towers over the sink.</i>
handful (n)	the amount a hand can hold; a small number	poignée	<i>She grabs a handful of nuts from the bowl.</i>
spoonful (n)	the amount a spoon holds	cuillerée	<i>Viago adds a spoonful of sugar to his tea, out of habit.</i>
leftovers (n)	food remaining after a meal	restes (de repas)	<i>Nobody touches the strange leftovers in the fridge.</i>
treat (n)	a special, enjoyable thing to eat	gâterie, friandise	<i>Blood pudding is a special treat for the flatmates.</i>
plenty (n)	a large amount; more than enough	abondance, beaucoup	<i>There is plenty of food, but none of it is fresh.</i>
dozen (n)	a set of twelve	douzaine	<i>Nick brings home a dozen eggs nobody will eat.</i>
scrap (n)	a small leftover bit	petit bout, reste	<i>Deacon throws every scrap of food on the floor.</i>
countless (adj)	too many to count	innombrable	<i>There are countless empty bottles under the bed.</i>
stale (adj)	no longer fresh	rassis, éventé	<i>The bread is stale and the milk has turned.</i>

Expressions

Expression	Sens	Exemple
a bite to eat	a small meal or snack — un morceau à manger, de quoi grignoter	<i>Let's grab a bite to eat before the guests arrive.</i>
to have a sweet tooth	to love sugary food — être gourmand, aimer le sucré	<i>Viago has a surprising sweet tooth.</i>
bits and pieces	small odds and ends — des bricoles, un peu de tout	<i>The drawer is full of useless bits and pieces.</i>

Mots à reconnaître

Mot	Sens
bunch (n)	grappe ; bouquet ; bande
pile (n)	tas, pile
lump (n)	morceau, motte
drop (n)	goutte
bite (n)	bouchée ; morsure
packet (n)	paquet
tin (n)	boîte (de conserve)
bottle (n)	bouteille
bowl (n)	bol, saladier
basket (n)	panier
sack (n)	sac (en toile)
half (n)	moitié
portion (n)	portion, part
mouthful (n)	bouchée, gorgée
carton (n)	brique, carton (de lait)

Groupe 2

Mots à apprendre

Mot	Sens	Équivalent	Exemple
morsel (n)	a very small piece of food	petit morceau, bouchée	<i>He savours every last morsel of the meal.</i>
dollop (n)	a soft, shapeless lump of food	bonne cuillerée, noix (de beurre)	<i>She adds a generous dollop of cream to the dish.</i>
batch (n)	a quantity made or done at one time	fournée, lot	<i>Viago bakes a fresh batch of scones for visitors.</i>
glut (n)	too much of something	surabondance, pléthore	<i>After the party there is a glut of leftover food.</i>
scarce (adj)	not enough; hard to find	rare, peu abondant	<i>Fresh victims are scarce in the sleepy town.</i>
plentiful (adj)	existing in large amounts	abondant	<i>Cobwebs are the only plentiful thing here.</i>
sliver (n)	a thin, narrow piece	fine lamelle, éclat	<i>Only a sliver of garlic bread remains on the plate.</i>
helping (n)	a portion of food served at a meal	portion, part	<i>Deacon takes a huge helping and leaves none.</i>
dregs (n)	the last, worst bits left at the bottom	lie, fond, restes	<i>He drinks the bitter dregs at the bottom of the glass.</i>
serving (n)	an amount of food for one person	portion, part	<i>Each guest gets a small serving of the strange stew.</i>
off (adj)	no longer fresh; spoiled	avarié, tourné, pas frais	<i>The milk in the fridge has gone off.</i>
platter (n)	a large flat dish for serving food	grand plat, plateau	<i>A silver platter of food is carried into the hall.</i>
ladle (n)	a large deep spoon for serving liquids	louche	<i>Viago serves the soup with a heavy silver ladle.</i>
array (n)	a large and varied group of things	éventail, panoplie	<i>An array of dusty jars lines the pantry shelf.</i>
sparse (adj)	thinly spread; not plentiful	clairsemé, épars	<i>The cupboards are sparse and almost bare.</i>

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to make ends meet	to have just enough money to live on — joindre les deux bouts	<i>Even immortals struggle to make ends meet.</i>
a drop in the ocean	a very small amount compared to what is needed — une goutte d'eau dans la mer	<i>One bottle of blood is a drop in the ocean for four vampires.</i>
to go a long way	to be enough to last or have a big effect — durer longtemps, faire de l'effet	<i>A little garlic goes a long way with this lot.</i>

Mots à reconnaître

Mot	Sens
slab (n)	plaque, pavé (de qch)
wedge (n)	quartier, morceau (en coin)
knob (n)	noix (de beurre) ; bouton
sprig (n)	brin, branchette
clove (n)	gousse (d'ail)
fillet (n)	filet (de viande/poisson)
rasher (n)	tranche (de bacon)
husk (n)	enveloppe, cosse
rind (n)	croûte (de fromage), écorce
peel (n)	peau, épluchure
crust (n)	croûte (de pain)
pip (n)	pépin
stalk (n)	tige, trognon
dough (n)	pâte (à pain)
batter (n)	pâte (à frire/crêpes)

Groupe 3

Mots à apprendre

Mot	Sens	Équivalent	Exemple
smidgen (n)	a very small amount	chouïa, soupçon	<i>Add just a smidgen of salt, says Viago.</i>
modicum (n)	a small but adequate amount	minimum, soupçon	<i>They show a modicum of politeness to their guest.</i>
surfeit (n)	an excessive amount	excès, surabondance	<i>The banquet offers a surfeit of rich dishes.</i>
dearth (n)	a scarcity or lack	pénurie, manque	<i>There is a dearth of fresh prey this season.</i>
smattering (n)	a small, scattered amount	une poignée, quelques notions	<i>Only a smattering of crumbs remains on the table.</i>
trove (n)	a valuable collection or store	trésor, collection	<i>The cellar holds a trove of dusty old bottles.</i>
paucity (n)	the presence of too little	pénurie, rareté	<i>A paucity of clean cups forces them to share.</i>
bounty (n)	a generous, plentiful supply	abondance, manne	<i>The autumn brings a bounty of unsuspecting tourists.</i>
lavish (adj)	rich, generous and abundant	somptueux, prodigue	<i>Viago prepares a lavish feast for the visitors.</i>
paltry (adj)	small and almost worthless in amount	dérisoire, maigre	<i>Deacon offers a paltry plate of stale crackers.</i>
brimming (adj)	full to the very top	débordant, plein à ras bord	<i>The cauldron is brimming with thick, dark soup.</i>
measly (adj)	ridiculously small in amount	minable, ridicule	<i>Each guest receives a measly spoonful of stew.</i>
victuals (n)	supplies of food	victuailles, vivres	<i>The pantry is stocked with ancient victuals.</i>
fare (n)	the range of food on offer	nourriture, chère, mets	<i>The fare on offer is rich, strange and bloody.</i>
groaning (adj)	loaded with a great quantity of food	croulant (sous le poids)	<i>The table is groaning under platters of food.</i>

Expressions

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to have one's fill	to have as much as you want — manger à satiété, en avoir assez	<i>The vampires have their fill and slump back, content.</i>
the lion's share	the largest part of something — la part du lion	<i>Petyr always takes the lion's share.</i>
few and far between	rare and infrequent — rares, espacés, peu fréquents	<i>Quiet nights are few and far between in this house.</i>

Mots à reconnaître

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cornucopia (n)	corne d'abondance
smorgasbord (n)	buffet (varié), assortiment
repast (n)	repas (soutenu)
sustenance (n)	subsistance, nourriture
provender (n)	provende ; vivres
gobbet (n)	morceau, bout (de viande)
glutton (n)	glouton, goinfre
gluttony (n)	gloutonnerie, gourmandise
feast (n)	festin, banquet
spread (n)	festin, buffet (étalé)
trencher (n)	tranchoir, écuelle
junket (n)	lait caillé sucré ; bombance
gruel (n)	gruau, brouet
vittles (n)	vivres, victuailles (fam.)
comestible (n)	comestible, denrée