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   * I h……. ............................................................
   * I was giv……. ...................................................

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Resolutions .

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E.E.C. Complete the following chart using a dictionary .

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6,780 Here is a list of the major events that took place in 2007. Listen to the sentences and write the stress on the words underlined by your teacher .

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Read the sentences and match the words and expressions in bold type with their appropriate translation.

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Un adolescent …………………… / …………………… La folle fusillade / ……………………
La commercialisation / ……………………

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I) Lis les phrases suivantes et souligne en rouge toutes les expressions qui servent à exprimer une opinion.

1. He says that, from his point of view, English is a very easy subject.
2. I think that going to the cinema tonight is a brilliant idea.
3. In my opinion, Jenny is the most charming girl in our class.

II) 1) Lis les phrases suivantes et souligne en vert tous les superlatifs.

25. In my opinion, maths is the most difficult subject at school.
50. A lot of people think Lionel Messi is the best football player in the world.
16. Maggie thinks Brad Pitt is the sexiest actor in Hollywood.
100 Lewis Hamilton is sure his Mac Laren is the fastest car in the world.
3 ‘Casino Royale’ is the most captivating film I have ever seen.
4 My father thinks Elvis Presley is the most wonderful singer in the world.

III) Ecoute les 15 phrases ci-dessous. 1. Indique quelle syllabe est accentuée dans chacun des mots soulignés par ton professeur.
   2. Classe les mots énoncés par ton professeur dans le tableau phonétique.

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IV) Ecoute les phrases de ton professeur et souligne la bonne traduction française des mots ci-dessous.

Disgusting / discutant ; dégoûtant ; égouttant.
Event [iˈvent]/ avant ; éventuellement ; événement.
Shocking / choquant ; choqué ; chocolat.
Moving / émouvant ; heureux ; remuant.
Delightful / réjouissant ; horrible ; décevant.
Captivating / captif ; captivé ; captivant.


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VI) Associe librement les éléments des 3 colonnes et fais des phrases à l’aide d’un superlatif.

Exemple : nice man ---- the nicest man
Mr .......... is the nicest man I know.

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2. A man entered an Italian restaurant in London, went into the kitchen, grabbed a knife and cut his penis in front of a group of horrified customers.
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4. A young Chinese couple decided to call their baby @ which means ‘I love you’ in Chinese.
5. In 2007, Jennifer Lopes insured her buttocks, Bruce Springsteen his vocal cords, and a group of Scottish biathlon organisers took an insurance in case Nessie might appear during the race they organised around the Loch Ness.
6. In the USA, the heaviest man in the world, weighing 560 kg, made up his mind to lose weight after he entered the Guinness Book of Records. He has lost 200 kg so far.
7. The city of Seattle, Washington, set up a programme to reduce the number of drug-dealers roaming the streets. The programme consisted of playing classical music at the entrance of shopping-malls and at the city bus-stops, as drug-dealers apparently hate classical music.
8. A Japanese TV-channel found a special way to boost its audience. Every Friday, the anchorwoman took off a garment between each item and ended up completely naked at the end of the news programme.
9. Roman Abramovitch, the Russian millionaire who owns Chelsea, asked an Italian painter to paint a fake of Andy Warhol’s Marilyn Monroe, on the grounds that the real painting was too expensive.
10. Steve and Tina Potter, a couple from Tamworth in England, got married for the third time in thirty years.
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12. A group of Inuit fishermen caught a whale which, after a thorough scientific analysis, proved to be 130 years old.
13. Jens Lorek, a German lawyer made the decision to defend people who claimed to be the victims of extraterrestrials.
14. A customer in an Indiana restaurant gave Jessica Osborne, the young waitress who regularly waited on her, a $10,000 tip so that she could go to university to study journalism.
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Read the 16 sentences and try to complete the list of words using the words in bold type (Ex. DIY).

Complete, conjugate the verbs and imagine possible answers. (Complete the rest of the list as you go along).

1. A man in dire straits decided to sell ________ on E-Bay, at a 1 million-dollar minimum stake.

2. A man entered an Italian restaurant in London, wandered into the kitchen, grabbed a knife and cut his ____________ in front of a group of horrified customers.

3. Thirteen abstract paintings made by a ______________ were sold during an exhibition in Des Moines, Iowa, some fetching $1,500.

4. A young couple from China decided to call the baby _______ which means ‘I love you’ in China.

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Complete using painter / painting / paint

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Complete using during / while

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(… a dû couper …)
DIY) VOCABULARY

Une présentatrice / ........................................ Se décider / ........................................
Une mise / ........................................... Un vêtement / ........................................
Un avocat / ........................................... Servir (dans un café) / ...................................
Un pourboire / ....................................... Piquer, faucher / ........................................
Assurer / ........................................... Un centre commercial / ......................................
Dans une situation désespérée / ......................... Les fesses / ...........................................
Saisir / .............................................. Une exposition / ..............................................
Passer les menottes / ................................ Approfondi, poussé / ......................................
Chercher / ........................................... Mettre en place / ...........................................
La course / ......................................... Peser / ......................................................
Entrer violemment / ................................ Une baleine / ..............................................
Augmenter, faire croître / ................................ Un faux / ..............................................
Invoquant le motif, la raison que ... / ..................... Coincé / .............................................
Un bûcheron / ...................................... Au cas où / ..............................................
Nu(e) / ............................................. Afin qu’elle puisse / .............................................
Relâcher / ........................................

Proposition de mise en œuvre

- Faire lire la liste des mots français puis demander de lire les 16 phrases en essayant de trouver le plus de réponses possible. Le but premier est de leur faire prendre connaissance des phrases ; l’exercice doit donc être mené assez rapidement, car il est somme toute assez difficile.
- L’idéal est de faire l’exercice au rétroprojecteur avec interdiction aux élèves de noter quoique ce soit sur les phrases, seule la liste de mots peut être complétée au fur et à mesure. On s’occupe dans un premier temps des verbes, des adjectifs et des noms à compléter et on demande ensuite d’imaginer les réponses possibles.
- Après l’indispensable travail de répétition (tout le travail sur prosodie et phonologie aura été fait en amont) on peut demander aux élèves leurs réactions face aux événements (Why did he cut his penis ?). Je vous ai épargné les prostituées indiennes préférant les préservatifs goût nicotine que ceux au chocolat …….. Au bout de 3/4 phrases, les élèves peuvent compléter les phrases sur leur polycopié, ce qui constitue un excellent exercice de mémorisation.
- Travail de lecture évalué peut être donné comme ‘Work assignment’.
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Read the following articles and say whether the missing words are nouns (N), verbs (V), adjectives (Adj) or adverbs (adv).

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Find a synonym (word or expression) in these articles. (They are not in the same order)

a) to reach a price = to ______________
b) to walk about with no fixed aim or purpose, to wander = to ______________
c) news article or headline = ______________
d) a bet, an auction = a ______________
e) TV presenter = ______________
f) to assert, to say, to maintain = to ______________
g) a position of big financial difficulty = ______________
h) bums (= les fesses), the backside = ______________
i) piece of clothing = ______________

Now imagine what these missing words could be:

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Here is a list of words. Rewrite the articles using ONLY the words that make sense.


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To make sure you have chosen the correct words, use the remaining words to complete the following articles now. Good luck!

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