# Bonjour year 4!

- Today I am taking you on a trip around Paris, so you can discover 4 famous landmarks. There are fact files about each landmark and videos about Notre Dame.
- You can also colour the cathedral and its main stained window for fun.

• Bon voyage!

## What is it like?

- Paris is the capital city of France, with the largest population in the country.
- People who live there are called Parisians.
- Paris is one of the world's leading cities in the fashion, music, politics and the arts.



## Culture

Name of Country:

#### France

Population:

2.234 million

Official Language:

French

Famous Landmarks:

**Eiffel Tower** 

Arc de Triomphe

Louvre Museum

Notre Dame Cathedral



### The Eiffel Tower

The Eiffel tower was designed by Gustave Eiffel and his engineering company.

It was built in 1889 for the Paris World's Fair.

The Eiffel tower was originally designed as a temporary structure but has stood for over 100 years.

It is one of the most visited sites in Paris.



#### The Louvre <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MQ5H3ox</u> BIRg

The Louvre is the world's biggest museum in the world.

It is home to 35,000 priceless artefacts and paintings including Leonardo da Vinci's Mona Lisa.

The building was originally built as a fortress in 1190. It was then turned into a palace in the 16<sup>th</sup> Century before being opened to the public as a museum in 1793.

The glass pyramid was built in 1989 and is 21 metres tall.

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## The Arc de Triomphe

Napoleon ordered the construction of the Arc de Triomphe in 1806 and it was finally finished in 1836.

It stands at the centre of the Place Charles de Gaulle (a large road junction in Paris) and honours those who fought and died for France in past battles and wars.

The monument was designed by French architect, Jean Chalgrin.

It is 50 metres tall, 45 metres wide and 22 metres deep.



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#### Notre Dame

The Notre Dame is a cathedral located in the very heart of Paris and is one of the city's most popular tourist sites.

It was built between 1163 and 1345 and was designed in the Gothic fashion.

It is one of the largest religious buildings in the world standing at 130 metres long, 48 metres wide and 35 metres high.

Sadly, the church's spire was destroyed in a fire in April 2019.

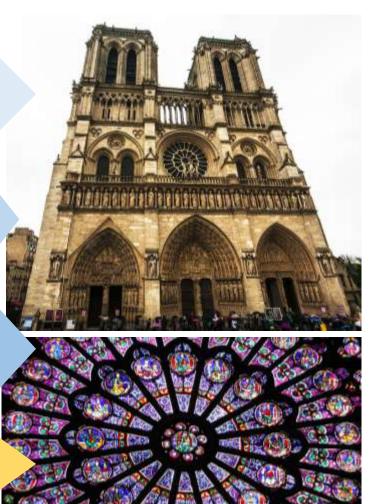


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You can watch a video about Notre-Dame here: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3GYjonocO0</u> g

# Le Bossu de Notre-Dame

- Victor Hugo wrote a famous story:
- "The Hunchback of Notre-Dame" (Le Bossu de Notre-Dame)
- Here is a video summarising the story:
- <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pTtSl9BkuIk</u>