

# L'APPARENCE PHYSIQUE

## PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

### QUICK REMINDER

In French, most of the **ADJECTIVES** have a **MASCULIN** and **FÉMININ** form.

To describe a **boy / man / male**, use the **MASCULIN** form of the **ADJECTIVE**.

To describe a **girl / woman / female**, use the **FÉMININ** form of the **ADJECTIVE**.

### VOCABULARIES

| MASCULIN   | PRONUNCIATION   | FÉMININ     | PRONUNCIATION    | MEANING   |
|------------|-----------------|-------------|------------------|-----------|
| Asiatique  | [ a zi a ti k ] | Asiatique   | [ a zi a ti k ]  | Asian     |
| Caucasien  | [ ko ka zi un ] | Caucasienne | [ ko ka zi è n ] | Caucasian |
| Africain   | [ a fri kun ]   | Africaine   | [ a fri kè n ]   | African   |
| Arabe      | [ a ra b ]      | Arabe       | [ a ra b ]       | Arab      |
| Hispanique | [ i s pa ni k ] | Hispanique  | [ i s pa ni k ]  | Hispanic  |
| Métis      | [ mé ti s ]     | Métisse     | [ mé ti s ]      | Mixed     |

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|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Petit                 | [ pe ti ]              | Petite            | [ pe ti t ]            | Short                 |
| De taille moyenne     | [ de ta y mou a yè n ] | De taille moyenne | [ de ta y mou a yè n ] | Average Size          |
| Grand                 | [ gran ]               | Grande            | [ gran d ]             | Tall                  |
| Maigre                | [ mè g r ]             | Maigre            | [ mè g r ]             | Skinny                |
| Mince                 | [ mun s ]              | Mince             | [ mun s ]              | Slim                  |
| Musclé                | [ mu s klé ]           | Musclée           | [ mu s klé ]           | Muscular              |
| Gros                  | [ gro ]                | Grosse            | [ gro s ]              | Big / Fat             |
| Beau                  | [ bo ]                 | Belle             | [ bè l ]               | Handsome<br>Beautiful |
| Joli<br>(not for men) | [ jo li ]              | Jolie             | [ jo li ]              | Pretty                |
| Mignon                | [ mi ni ôn ]           | Mignonne          | [ mi ni ô n ]          | Cute                  |
| Laid                  | [ lè ]                 | Laid              | [ lè d ]               | Ugly<br>(formal)      |

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|-------------|------------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|
| Jeune       | [jeu n]          | Jeune       | [jeu n]          | Young       |
| D'âge moyen | [da j mou a yun] | D'âge moyen | [da j mou a yun] | Middle-aged |
| Vieux       | [vi e]           | Vieille     | [vi è y]         | Old         |
| Brun        | [bru n]          | Brune       | [bru n]          | Black hair  |
| Châtain     | [cha tun]        | Châtain     | [cha tun]        | Brown hair  |
| Blond       | [blon]           | Blonde      | [blon d]         | Blond       |
| Roux        | [rou]            | Rousse      | [rou s]          | Red hair    |
| Chauve      | [cho v]          | Chauve      | [cho v]          | Bald        |

## ADVANCED DESCRIPTION

### VOCABULARIES

Elle a les cheveux...

[ è la lé che ve ... ]

(Her hair is ...)

... rasés.

[ ra zé ]

... shaved.

... courts.

[ kou r ]

... short.

... mi-long.

[ mi lon ]

... medium-length.

... long.

[ lon ]

... long.

Il a les yeux...

[ i la lé zi e... ]

(His eyes are...)

... noirs.

[ ... nou a r ]

... black.

... marrons.

[ ... ma ron ]

... brown.

... bleus.

[ ... ble ]

... blue.

... verts.

[ ... vè r ]

... green.

## EXAMPLES

| PRONOUN | VERB | ADJECTIVE    | MEANING             |
|---------|------|--------------|---------------------|
| Il      | est  | caucasien.   | He is caucasian.    |
| Elle    | est  | caucasienne. | She is caucasian.   |
| Il      | est  | grand.       | He is tall.         |
| Elle    | est  | grande.      | She is tall.        |
| Il      | est  | musclé.      | He is muscular.     |
| Elle    | est  | musclée.     | She is muscular.    |
| Il      | est  | brun.        | He has black hair.  |
| Elle    | est  | brune.       | She has black hair. |

| PRONOUN | VERB | OBJECT             | MEANING            |
|---------|------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Il      | a    | les cheveux courts | He has short hair. |
| Elle    | a    | les cheveux longs. | She has long hair. |
| Il      | a    | les yeux noirs.    | He has black eyes. |
| Elle    | a    | les yeux bleus.    | She has blue eyes. |