

## Online Translator Project

### Step 1: Old School...sort of

1. Go to [www.wordreference.com](http://www.wordreference.com).
2. Set the language translation to "English-French."
3. Translate each of the following sentences WORD BY WORD & type your answers into the boxes below each word.

English	I	don't	like	listening	to	country	music.
French							

English	Will	you	be	on	time	to	school?
French							

English	I	always	liked	to	play	dress	up.
French							

English	Why	is	everybody	so	mean	to	me?
French							

### Step 2: Research

Locate and use two online translators. You will use these two translators for the rest of the project. List the two translators you will use:

- 1.
- 2.

### Step 3: Try It Out (Part 1)

Translate (From English to French) the following sentences into each of the two online translator services you found in step 2. Write the French translation for each sentence.

Original Sentence	I don't like listening to country music.
French Translation 1	
French Translation 2	

Original Sentence	Will you be on time to school?
French Translation 1	
French Translation 2	

Original Sentence	I always liked to play dress up.
French Translation 1	
French Translation 2	

Original Sentence	Why is everybody so mean to me?
French Translation 1	
French Translation 2	

In class, the teacher will provide you with the correct French translations of each of these sentences.

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### Step 4: Try It Out (Part 2)

Complete each of the following steps in order for the following text:

Swagger on super, I can't shop at no department  
Better get my money on time. If they not money, decline  
And swear I meant that there so much that they give that line a rewind  
So get my money on time, if they not money, decline  
I just can't worry 'bout no haters, gotta stay on my grind.

- \_\_\_ Copy the text.
- \_\_\_ Using your first translator from step 3 of this project, paste the text into the translation box and translate it into French.
- \_\_\_ Copy the French translation.
- \_\_\_ Using your second translator from step 3 of this project, paste the French translation into the translation box and translate it into *any language other than English* (or French, obviously).
- \_\_\_ Copy *that* translation.
- \_\_\_ Using your first translator from step 3 of this project, past *that* translation (the one in a language other than English or French) into the translation box and translate the text back into English.
- \_\_\_ Copy that final English translation into the box below (the box *should* automatically expand).

- \_\_\_ In the box below, type a brief statement in which you compare and analyze the original English text with your final English version (the box *should* automatically expand)

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### Step 5: Expectations

Identify and mark the sentences that look like they were written by a student in first grade.

Politicians should always tell the truth in their advertising campaigns.	I like swimming.	Jake is my friend.	The Constitution declares that all U.S. Citizens have certain unalienable rights.
The current high school curriculum does not prepare students for the rigor of college courses.	My dad works hard.	My mom is a nurse.	Her floor-length, backless gown was absolutely stunning.
I have brown hair.	My grandmother is suffering from the long-term effects of years of smoking cigarettes.	I haven't ever rappelled down a cliff, but I would like to give it a try some time.	I don't like homework.
Pizza is my favorite.	The top three items on my bucket list are 1) eat sushi, 2) travel to India, and 3) swim with dolphins.	I make my bed every morning.	My sister is nice.

### Step 6: Reflection

Check all that are true.

- As a first-year French students, my teacher will not expect me to write or speak French better than a first-grader.
- My teacher will most likely be able to tell if I've used an online translator.
- I might use an online translator when I'm in a hurry.
- I'm going to double-check anything I do on an online translator.
- Using an online translator would really save me time while writing a paragraph or a paper.
- This was an eye-opening activity for me