

Alphabetical order and the dictionary

Level: A1+ / A2 · 25 min

Objective

By the end, you will alphabetise several words and find a dictionary entry more quickly.

Discover

Order: bus, banque, billet. All begin with b: which letter must you compare next?

Understand

To put words in alphabetical order, compare the first letter. If it is the same, compare the second, then the third. This method helps you find words quickly in a dictionary.

Examples

- adresse
- banque
- billet
- bus
- café
- carte

Remember

Same first letter? Compare the second. Still the same? Compare the third, and so on.

Exercises

1. For "Alphabetical order and the dictionary", sort the items using the lesson rule.
2. "adresse": which category does it belong to?
a • b • c
3. "banque": which category does it belong to?
b • a • c
4. "billet": which category does it belong to?
b • a • c
5. "bus": which category does it belong to?
b • a • c
6. "café": which category does it belong to?
c • a • b
7. "carte": which category does it belong to?
c • a • b
8. Complete correctly: Entre banque et bus, quel mot vient d'abord ? ____
9. Complete correctly: Entre billet et bus ? ____
10. Complete correctly: Entre café et carte ? ____
11. Complete correctly: Première lettre de adresse : ____
12. Complete correctly: Première lettre de banque : ____
13. Complete correctly: Première lettre de carte : ____
14. For "Alphabetical order and the dictionary": match each item to the correct category.
15. Complete this "Alphabetical order and the dictionary" example: " ____ "
16. Rebuild this "Alphabetical order and the dictionary" sentence in a natural order.
billet
17. Complete this "Alphabetical order and the dictionary" example: " ____ "

18. Rebuild this "Alphabetical order and the dictionary" sentence in a natural order.

café

19. Complete this "Alphabetical order and the dictionary" example: " ____ "

20. Rebuild this "Alphabetical order and the dictionary" sentence in a natural order.

adresse

21. Complete this "Alphabetical order and the dictionary" example: " ____ "

22. Rebuild this "Alphabetical order and the dictionary" sentence in a natural order.

billet

Answer key

1. adresse a; banque b; billet b; bus b; café c; carte c

Each item is sorted using the exact criterion introduced in the lesson.

2. a

"adresse" belongs to the category "a".

3. b

"banque" belongs to the category "b".

4. b

"billet" belongs to the category "b".

5. b

"bus" belongs to the category "b".

6. c

"café" belongs to the category "c".

7. c

"carte" belongs to the category "c".

8. banque

The expected form is "banque".

9. billet

The expected form is "billet".

10. café

The expected form is "café".

11. a

The expected form is "a".

12. b

The expected form is "b".

13. c

The expected form is "c".

14. adresse a; banque b; billet b; café c; carte c

The matches use the categories practised in the lesson.

15. banque

The missing word is "banque". Full sentence: "banque".

16. billet

The rebuilt sentence is: "billet".

17. bus

The missing word is "bus". Full sentence: "bus".

18. café

The rebuilt sentence is: "café".

19. carte

The missing word is "carte". Full sentence: "carte".

20. adresse

The rebuilt sentence is: "adresse".

21. banque

The missing word is "banque". Full sentence: "banque".

22. billet

The rebuilt sentence is: "billet".