



## Conclusion Baby Stage

Coucou la communauté des *French learners* !

Je vais maintenant parler en anglais pour conclure et vous expliquer la prochaine étape pour acquérir le *Français naturellement*.

I am now going to speak in English to conclude and to tell you more about the next step to acquire French the natural way.

First of all, congratulations ! As we say in French « *Félicitations* ! ». You have now completed the Baby Stage. This is the start of your French journey.

Being part of a community of French learners is VERY important. You are **not alone**. You have OUR support and care.



**Share your experience.** Share your journey. Tell us about YOU, how you feel, your favourite session, your favourite story, word and/or expression in a short video. Click on this link to record your short video

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**You don't have to speak French yet. You can speak in any language you want !**

**What can you do in French now ?**

You are now able to **comprehend stories** which include the **most frequent** French words and structures used in everyday conversations. You have started to build a strong foundation and you can **understand important messages** in French.

But language acquisition is a gradual process. Each time you see or hear a new word or expression in a comprehensible context, a small part of it is acquired. With a sufficient amount of input, however, this small increase is enough to lead to substantial acquisition.

Remember you are still a « baby » in the journey. So it is normal if you are not able to speak yet. Babies don't speak, they **LISTEN**. They start to say some words, then sentences. But **FIRST**, they **observe and listen a lot**. That is why, you still need to observe and listen.

It is not necessary to make sure that certain grammar and vocabulary are learned. **Rich and abundant comprehensible input** will always include a sufficient quantity of new, unacquired language that you are ready to acquire.

### What is the next step?

Continue to listen and read French **everyday (if you can)**. On the membership homepage, you can choose to listen to and read

> baby stories [https://www.aliceayel.com/?s=babystories&post\\_type=resources](https://www.aliceayel.com/?s=babystories&post_type=resources)

> infant stories [https://www.aliceayel.com/?s=infantstories&post\\_type=resources](https://www.aliceayel.com/?s=infantstories&post_type=resources).

When you listen to and read a story, follow the **5 fingers rule**. Put one finger up for each word you don't know. If you have more than 3 fingers up, that means the story is probably too challenging for you still. So try another story. Remember, it should be a JOYFUL experience, NOT a chore ! Choose stories you enjoy, **you are interested in**.

We are now in the process of designing the infant stage. Once it is ready, you can start !

**The more you hear French, the more you understand, the more you acquire French.**

**Sit comfortably, listen, read, try to understand, ENJOY.**

Happy French acquisition!

Looking forward to meeting YOU here

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