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Favourites – Gender Agreement

Remember, all nouns in French are either masculine or feminine. This can affect other words in the sentence, these words must **AGREE** with each other in order to make sense. In this case, we will be using the words « what » and « favourite » a lot in this unit, so we will focus on these two words. As you can see in the examples below, both questions in English begin with “What is your favourite...” but they look a little differently depending on the gender of the subject.

Subject (noun)	Gender	Question	Réponse
<i>Le sport</i>	Masculine	<i>Quel est ton sport favori?</i>	<i>Mon sport favori est le hockey.</i>
<i>La pizza</i>	Feminine	<i>Quelle est ta pizza favorite?</i>	<i>Ma pizza favorite est le peppéroni et le fromage.</i>
Anglais			
Sport		What is your favourite sport?	My favourite sport is hockey.
Pizza		What is your favourite pizza?	My favourite pizza is pepperoni and cheese.

Use this chart below to help you remember which words to use for masculine subjects (nouns) and which words to use for feminine subjects (nouns).

Anglais	Possessive Adjectives	Masculine	Feminine	Plural
What		<i>Quel</i>	<i>Quelle</i>	<i>Add an « s »</i>
	Your	<i>Ton</i>	<i>Ta</i>	<i>Tes</i>
	My	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Ma</i>	<i>Mes</i>
	His/Her	<i>Son</i>	<i>Sa</i>	<i>Ses</i>
Favourite		<i>Favori</i>	<i>Favorite</i>	<i>Add an « s »</i>

***The **possessive adjectives** are words that show who owns or “possesses” something. For example, you might say, it’s *your* chair, *my* chair, or *his/her* chair. Possessive adjectives must also **AGREE** with the subject in the sentence like the examples shown above.

RULE → two vowels cannot be beside each other, so if a *feminine* subject begins with a vowel, you must use the masculine possessive adjectives.

Example : “*l’émission de télé*” is feminine *ta émission de télé* is **INCORRECT** (a & e are vowels)
ton émission de télé is **CORRECT**

PRACTICE: Identify the *subject*, its *gender (masculine or feminine)* and the *possessive adjective* in the following questions and responses.

- | | <u>Example</u> |
|---|------------------------------------|
| 1. <i>Quelle est ta couleur favorite?</i> | <i>Quel est ton animal favori?</i> |
| Subject (S) _____ | S _____ animal _____ |
| Gender (G) _____ | G _____ masculine _____ |
| Possessive Adj. (PA) _____ | PA _____ ton _____ |

2. *Quel est ton film favori?*

S _____

G _____

PA _____

3. *Quelle est ta chanteuse favorite?*

S _____

G _____

PA _____

4. *Quel est ton athlète favori?*

S _____

G _____

PA _____

5. *Quelle est ta voiture favorite?*

S _____

G _____

PA _____

PRACTICE A: Create your own **questions** using the following subjects.

6. *Le livre*

7. *Le chanteur*

8. *La chanson*

9. *L'émission de télé (f)*

10. *L'actrice (f)*

PRACTICE B: Write the responses to the questions you created in PRACTICE A.

11. _____

12. _____

13. _____

14. _____

15. _____