

FRENCH VIDEOS	DESCRIPTION
<u><b>Espaces</b></u> Table of contents available	<b>Espaces</b> allows students to learn French and to explore the cultures of the French-speaking world in the most user-friendly way possible.
<u><b>French in Action</b></u> Part 1 - Lessons 1-52	<u>French in Action</u> <b>video</b> program. Grammar, vocabulary, culture. <b>(Begin.)</b> <i>(Script at counter)</i>
<u><b>French in Action</b></u> Part 2 - Lessons 28-52	<u>French in Action</u> <b>video</b> program. Grammar, vocabulary, culture. <b>Mt.SAC Conversational French (Begin./ Interm.)</b> <i>(Script at counter)</i>
<u><b>Le chemin du retour</b></u> The Instructional version has three sections : Understanding the Plot The Episode Understanding the Culture	A film created especially for students of French language and culture. Is the story of a young television journalist, Camille Leclair, and her pursuit of the truth about her grandfather's mysterious past. Through Camille's quest, students learn language and culture in the functional context provided by the story, a film that takes the viewer on an exciting journey through contemporary France and other areas of the French-speaking world.
<u><b>The French Experience I</b></u> Unit 1 - 20	<u>The French Experience I</u> <b>video</b> program. Grammar, vocabulary, lots of culture with subtitles. <b>(Begin./ Interm.)</b> <i>(Detailed description at counter)</i>
<u><b>The French Experience II</b></u> Units 1 -10	<u>The French Experience II</u> <b>video</b> program. Grammar, vocabulary, lots of culture with subtitles. <b>(Interm./ Adv.)</b> <i>(Detailed description at counter)</i>
<u><b>Lucy In Paris</b></u> <u><b>Lost In Translation</b></u>	Comedy - I love Lucy Episode
<b>SNL French CLass</b>	Funny skit from Saturday Night Live
<b>The Eighth Day</b>	An unusual and wonderful friendship develops between a busy but unhappy salesman and a resident of a mental asylum.
<b>THE INTOUCHABLES</b>	After he becomes a quadriplegic from a paragliding accident, an aristocrat hires a young man from the projects to be his caregiver.
<b>Muzzy With English Subtitles</b>	

FRENCH Audio	DESCRIPTIONS
<p><b><u>Liberte</u></b></p> <p>Liberté 1 – Sections A, B &amp; C</p> <p>Liberté 2 – Sections A &amp; C</p> <p>Liberté 3 – Sections A,B &amp; C</p>	<p>Audio for the textbook. Section C also available on the website <a href="http://www.mtsac.edu/ilc">www.mtsac.edu/ilc</a></p> <p>Username: French</p> <p>Password: france</p>

FRENCH Internet Sites	DESCRIPTIONS
<b><u>Quia – Practice French</u></b>	<a href="http://www.quia.com/shared/french/">http://www.quia.com/shared/french/</a>
<b><u>Quizlet - French</u></b>	<a href="http://quizlet.com/subject/french/">http://quizlet.com/subject/french/</a>
<b><u>MtSAC French websites</u></b> French 1 - Liberté 1 French 2 - Liberté 2 French 3 - Liberté 3	<a href="http://instruction2.mtsac.edu/french/liberte1/">http://instruction2.mtsac.edu/french/liberte1/</a> <a href="http://instruction2.mtsac.edu/french/liberte2/Default.htm">http://instruction2.mtsac.edu/french/liberte2/Default.htm</a> <a href="http://instruction2.mtsac.edu/french/liberte3/default.htm">http://instruction2.mtsac.edu/french/liberte3/default.htm</a>
<b><u>BBC Homepage</u></b>	<a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/french/index.shtml">http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/french/index.shtml</a>
<b><u>Oxford Dictionary</u></b>	<a href="http://www.oxfordlanguagedictionaries.com/Home.html?direction=b-fr-en">http://www.oxfordlanguagedictionaries.com/Home.html?direction=b-fr-en</a>
<b><u>TV5 Monde</u></b> TV5 Homepage 7 jours sur la planete	<a href="http://www.tv5.org/index.php">http://www.tv5.org/index.php</a> <a href="http://www.tv5.org/TV5Site/7-jours/">http://www.tv5.org/TV5Site/7-jours/</a>
<b><u>Conjugation - French Interactive</u></b>	<a href="http://www.laits.utexas.edu/fi/vcr/">http://www.laits.utexas.edu/fi/vcr/</a>
<b><u>Conjugation - French Words</u></b>	<a href="http://conjugation-fr.com/">http://conjugation-fr.com/</a>
<b><u>Digital Dialects - Learning and Games</u></b>	<a href="http://www.digitaldialects.com/French.htm">http://www.digitaldialects.com/French.htm</a>
<b><u>Food and Catering Vocabulary</u></b>	<a href="http://www.eurocatering.org/">http://www.eurocatering.org/</a>
<b><u>French 1 and French 2</u></b> <b><u>Open Learning Initiative</u></b>	<a href="https://oli.cmu.edu/jcourse/lms/students/syllabus.do?section=d4af254c80020ca6004e16e77588e554">https://oli.cmu.edu/jcourse/lms/students/syllabus.do?section=d4af254c80020ca6004e16e77588e554</a>
<b><u>French Interactive - With Audio</u></b>	<a href="http://www.laits.utexas.edu/fi/">http://www.laits.utexas.edu/fi/</a>
<b><u>LES ACTIVITES CULTURELLES -</u></b> <b><u>French Ministry of Foreign Affairs</u></b>	<a href="http://www.ciep.fr/sources/sourire/english/prologue.html">http://www.ciep.fr/sources/sourire/english/prologue.html</a>
<b><u>Listen to French Songs (w/ Subtitles)</u></b>	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/user/frenchrescue">https://www.youtube.com/user/frenchrescue</a>

FRENCH Software	DESCRIPTIONS
<u>Rosetta Stone</u> <u>Version 3</u>	Rosetta Stone is proprietary language-learning software produced by Rosetta Stone, Ltd. The Rosetta Stone software utilizes a combination of images, text, and sound, with difficulty levels increasing as the student progresses, in order to teach various vocabulary terms and grammatical functions intuitively, without drills or translation. They call this the "Dynamic Immersion method". The goal is to teach languages the way first languages are learned. Vocabulary, listening comprehension, reading, writing. (Begin./ Interm.).
<u>Tell Me More</u>	A complete language-learning multimedia program that specializes in pronunciation, with 3D animation, speech recognition, and spoken error tracking. It also has exercises to work on grammar, vocabulary, reading, writing, listening and recording. <i>Create your own user ID.</i> <b>(Begin./ Interm./ Adv.)</b>
<u>Muzzy -</u> <u>Italian Language Interactive.</u>	These fun, learning games take MUZZY from the spoken word toward written language. They focus on vocabulary, spelling, word recognition, usage and grammar. This highly regarded educational software accompanies the video set. It features a "see-listen-and-learn" technique to learning the Italian language via the character of Muzzy and his animated adventures, as well as songs.

**FRENCH DVDs****DESCRIPTION****Get DVDs at the Front Counter****8 Women - (2002)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English, Spanish

103 min, Drama/Mystery/Crime, Rated R

(French: **8 femmes**) is a French musical comedy murder-mystery, directed by François Ozon and based on the play by Robert Thomas starring Catherine Deneuve. Eight women are murder suspects inside the home of a wealthy industrialist. Which one is guilty?

**A Loving Father - (2002)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

103 min, Drama, Not Rated

Leo Shepherd (Gérard Depardieu) is a renowned writer who has just won the Nobel Prize for Literature. When his estranged son, Paul (Guillaume Depardieu), tries to convey his congratulations, he finds that Leo won't take his calls. As Leo heads north to collect his award, Paul decides to follow him. After Leo gets into an accident on the road, Paul brings his injured father into his car and decides to take advantage of his dad's incapacitated state in an attempt to reconcile with him.

**A Man and a Woman - (1966)****Audio:** French, English**Subtitles:** English, French, Spanish

102 min, Drama/Comedy, Rated PG-13

(French: **Un homme et une femme**). Written and Directed by Lelouch and starred Anouk Aimée and Jean-Louis Trintignant. Visually exciting film of revitalizing love between a widowed man and a lonely woman. A race-car driver and a movie script girl share a romance filled with humor and truth, intertwined with the demands of career and parenthood. It is notable for its lush photography (Lelouch had a background in advertising photography), which features frequent segues between full color, black-and-white, and sepia-toned shots, and for its memorable musical score by Francis Lai.

**A Sunday in the Country - (1984)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

94 min, Drama, Rated G

(French: **Un dimanche à la campagne**) French film directed by Bertrand Tavernier. Is a graceful and delicate story about the hidden currents in a family.

**A Very Long Engagement - (2004)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English, French, Spanish

133 min, Romantic/War, Rated R

(French: **Un long dimanche de fiançailles**) is a French romantic war film, directed by Jean-Pierre Jeunet, starred Audrey Tautou. It is a fictional tale about a young woman's desperate search for her fiancé who might have been killed on a World War I battlefield (the Somme). It was based on a novel of the same name, written by Sebastien Japrisot, first published in 1991.

**FRENCH DVDs****DESCRIPTION****Get DVDs at the Front Counter****Amelie - (2001)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English, Spanish

122 min, Romance/Comedy, Rated R

(French: **Le Fabuleux Destin d'Amélie Poulain**. Is a romantic comedy film directed by Jean-Pierre Jeunet and starring Audrey Tautou. Its original Written by Jeunet with Guillaume Laurant, the film is a whimsical depiction of contemporary Parisian life, set in Montmartre. It tells the story of a shy waitress who decides to change the lives of those around her for the better, while struggling with her own isolation. The film was an international co-production between companies in France and Germany.

**Apollo 13 - (1995)****Audio:** French, Spanish, English**Subtitles:** French, Spanish, English

140 min, Drama/History, Rated PG

American historical docudrama film directed by Ron Howard. The film stars Tom Hanks, Kevin Bacon, Bill Paxton, Gary Sinise, and Ed Harris. The screenplay by William Broyles, Jr. and Al Reinert, that dramatizes the aborted 1970 Apollo 13 lunar mission, is an adaptation of the book *Lost Moon: The Perilous Voyage of Apollo 13* by astronaut Jim Lovell and Jeffrey Kluger.

**Asterix & Obelix – Contre César - (1999)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** None

105 min, Comedy/Fantasy, Rated PG

Directed by Claude Zidi, the first of what went on to become a series of live-action films based on Goscinny and Uderzo's Astérix comics. The film combines plots of several Astérix stories, mostly Asterix the Gaul (Getafix's abduction), Asterix and the Soothsayer, Asterix and the Goths (the Druid conference), Asterix the Legionary (Obelix becoming smitten with Panacea) and Asterix the Gladiator (the characters fighting in the circus) but jokes and references from many other albums abound, including a humorous exchange between Caesar and Brutus taken from Asterix and Cleopatra, and the villain Lucius Detritus is based on Tullius Detritus, the main antagonist of Asterix and the Roman Agent (known as Tortuous Convolvulus in the English translation of the comic).

**Asterix & Obelix - Mission Cleopatra - (2002)****Audio:** English, French**Subtitles:** English, French

113 min, Comedy/Fantasy, Rated PG

French film based on the comic book *Astérix et Cléopâtre* by René Goscinny and Albert Uderzo and a sequel for the 1999 movie *Asterix & Obelix Take On Caesar*. It was the most expensive French movie at that time. It is the second adaption of Asterix and Cleopatra, following the 1968 animated movie.

**Asterix & Obelix - At the Olympics - (2006)****Audios:** English, French**Subtitles:** English

117 min, Comedy/Fantasy, Rated PG

French film, based on characters from René Goscinny and Albert Uderzo's Astérix comic series. It was filmed essentially in Spain in the course of the year 2006. At the time of its release, it was the most expensive French and non English-speaking film of all time.[2] The film has been poorly received by critics, but performed well at several European box offices, topping charts in Poland, Spain and France.[3] In May 2008 it received the "Gérard du cinéma" (French equivalent of the Razzie Awards) for "Worst French film made in 2007."

**FRENCH DVDs****DESCRIPTION****Get DVDs at the Front Counter****Avenue Montaigne - (2006)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

106 min, Drama/Romance, Rated PG-13

(French: **Fauteuils d'Orchestre**) A young woman arrives in Paris where she finds a job as a waitress in bar next on Avenue Montaigne that caters to the surrounding theaters and the wealthy inhabitants of the area. She will meet a pianist, a famous actress and a great art collector, and become acquainted with the "luxurious" world her grandmother has told her about since her childhood.

**Beethoven: The Life and Loves - (1936)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

116 min, Biography, Not Rated

(French: **Un grand amour de Beethoven**) The composer is passionately in love with Juliette Guicciardi, but his love is not requited. She chooses to marry Count Gallenberg, news which, along with his encroaching deafness, propels Beethoven into state of depression. The composer retreats to an old windmill in Heiligenstadt where he remains alone for a while. Returning to Vienna, Beethoven discovers new love in his beloved Juliette's cousin, Thérèse de Brunswick.

**Before Sunrise - (1995) - \*\* Online \*\*****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

105 min, Drama/Romance, Rated R

On his way to Vienna, American Jesse (Ethan Hawke) meets Celine (Julie Delpy), a student returning to Paris. After long conversations forge a surprising connection between them, Jesse convinces Celine to get off the train with him in Vienna. Since his flight to the U.S. departs the next morning and he has no money for lodging, they wander the city together, taking in the experiences of Vienna and each other. As the night progresses, their bond makes separating in the morning a difficult choice.

**Bienvenue chez les Ch'tis (Welcome to the Sticks) - (2008)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

106 min, Comedy

French comedy film directed, co-written by and starring Dany Boon, co-starring Kad Merad and Zoé Félix. The film broke nearly every box office record in France: it debuted as the top film at 793 sites. As of 28 February 2010, the film had been seen by 20.5 million people in 23 weeks, thereby breaking the long-standing record held by 1966's La Grande Vadrouille (17.27 million admissions). A French public servant from Provence is banished to the far North. Strongly prejudiced against this cold and inhospitable place, he leaves his family behind to relocate temporarily there, with the firm intent to quickly come back.

**Big Hero 6 - (2014) - \*\* Online \*\*****Audio:** French**Subtitle:** French

102 min, Action, Rated PG

**\*\*Animated Movie**

Robotics prodigy Hiro (Ryan Potter) lives in the city of San Fransokyo. Next to his older brother, Tadashi, Hiro's closest companion is Baymax (Scott Adsit), a robot whose sole purpose is to take care of people. When a devastating turn of events throws Hiro into the middle of a dangerous plot, he transforms Baymax and his other friends, Go Go Tamago (Jamie Chung), Wasabi (Damon Wayans Jr.), Honey Lemon (Genesis Rodriguez) and Fred (T.J. Miller) into a band of high-tech heroes.

**FRENCH DVDs****DESCRIPTION****Get DVDs at the Front Counter****Black Girl - (1966)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

65 min, Drama, not rated – BW

The film broke nearly every box office record in France: it debuted as the top film at 793 sites.<sup>[5]</sup> As of 28 February 2010, the film had been seen by 20.5 million people in 23 weeks, thereby breaking the long-standing record held by 1966's *La Grande Vadrouille* (17.27 million admissions).

**Blame it on Fidel - (2006)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English99 min, Drama/History, Not Rated 

(French: **La faute à Fidel!**) French-Italian drama film directed by Julie Gavras. The screenplay, written by Gavras, is based on Domitilla Calamai's Italian novel of the same name. The film stars Nina Kervel-Bey, Julie Depardieu, and Stefano Accorsi. The film covers an array of philosophy and ideology - everything from Communism to Catholicism to Greek and Asian mythology - which the protagonist must reconstruct from confusion into her own set of beliefs.

**Bon Voyage - (2003)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English, Portuguese, Spanish

115 min, Drama/Mystery, Rated PG13

The film was a critical success due in part to its tight interweaving of various genres, including spy, romance, World War II, and comedy. An actress, a writer, a student, and a government worker band together in an effort to escape Paris as the Nazis move into the city. An actress, a writer, a student, and a government worker band together in an effort to escape Paris as the Nazis move into the city.

**Borom Sarret - (1969)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

22 min, Drama, Not Rated – BW

It is often considered the first film ever made in Africa by a black African. It is twenty minutes long and tells a story about a cart driver in Dakar. The film illustrates the poverty in Africa, showing that independence has not solved the problems of its people.

**Boudu - (2005)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** French

104 min, Comedy/Drama, Not Rated

Is a remake of Jean Renoir's most popular film of 1932, the classic **Boudu sauvé des eaux**. Directed by Gérard Jugnot. One night, art dealer Christian Lespinglet plans to seduce his assistant Coralie and ends up saving a tramp, Boudu, from drowning. Reluctantly, Christian offers Boudu a place to spend the night, in his gallery. His wife Yseult, a neurotic depressive hypochondriac, takes an unexpected interest in the vulgar tramp and decides that he should stay a while longer. The distraction allows Christian to carry on his affair with Coralie. Little does he know that Boudu finds both women desirable.

**Boyfriends / Girlfriends - (1987)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

102 min, Comedy, Rated PG

(French: **L'Ami de mon amie**, also known as **My Girlfriend's Boyfriend**) Comedy film directed by Éric Rohmer. Witty illustration of the proverb: The friends of my friends are my friends. Relationship musical chairs game between four friends.



**FRENCH DVDs****DESCRIPTION****Get DVDs at the Front Counter****Butch Cassidy & Sundance Kid - (1969)****Audio:** English, French**Subtitles:** English, Spanish

110 min, Biography/Adventure, Rated PG

This Academy Award winning film blends adventure, romance and comedy to tell the true story of the West's most likeable outlaws. No one is quicker than Butch Cassidy when it comes to get rich quick schemes, and his sidekick Sundance is a wizard with a gun. When these two bungling band and train robbers tire of running from the law, they set out for Bolivia with Sundance's girlfriend.

**Caché - Hidden - (2005)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English, Spanish

118 min, Drama/Mystery, Rated R

Without warning, happy, successful Parisian couple Georges (Daniel Auteuil) and Anne Laurent (Juliette Binoche) receive anonymous videos suggesting that they are being stalked. The tapes are followed by disturbingly violent, if childish, drawings. Georges, a well-known literary talk show host, shrugs off the mysterious messages, but Anne grows increasingly distressed and fearful for their teenage son. She grows to suspect that an incident in Georges' past is behind the increasing torment.

**Café Au Lait - (1993)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

91 min, Romance/Comedy, Not Rated

(French: **Métisse**) Lola (Julie Maudech) is a beautiful and exotic young Parisian woman. When she discovers she is pregnant, Lola determines that the father is either Jamal (Hubert Koundé), a wealthy Muslim from Africa, or Felix (Mathieu Kassovitz), a slightly awkward Jewish messenger. Soon the two very different men are competing to win the love of Lola. Eventually, Jamal and Felix realize that they must put their rivalry on the back burner in order to help Lola through the challenges of her pregnancy.

**Camille Claudel - (1988)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English, French, Spanish

175 min, Biography, Rated R

About the life of the 19th century female sculptor Camille Claudel and legendary sculptor Rodin and their passionate obsession with art and with each other. This is a historically accurate depiction of one of the most important collaboration in the history of modern art.

**Capitaine Conan - (1996)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English, French

129 min, Drama/War, Not Rated

Directed by Bertrand Tavernier, starred Philippe Torreton. In the final months of World War I, Captain Conan and his loyal soldiers clean up the enemy trenches on the battlefields of Europe. When the armistice is signed, Conan's war continues in the Balkans, where his job is maintaining the peace and awaits orders for military operations. After the intense violent activity he has lived through, Conan finds it hard to adapt to a new kind of military life. He regards himself as a warrior, and has nothing but contempt for his deskbound superiors. His friends, Norbert and De Scève, sympathise with his viewpoint, but do not share his enthusiasm for mindless killing. Conan's war is far from over.

**FRENCH DVDs****DESCRIPTION****Get DVDs at the Front Counter****Carmen - (1984)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English, French, Spanish

152 min, Musical, Rated PG

Directed by Francesco Rosi. It is probably the most popular film version of Bizet's popular opera "Carmen" and stars Julia Migenes in the title role, Plácido Domingo as Don José, Ruggero Raimondi as Escamillo, and Faith Esham as Micaela. Lorin Maazel conducts the Orchestre National de France.

**Children of Paradise - (1945)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

190 min, Drama, Not Rated

\*\*Black &amp; White

(French: **Les enfants du paradis**) A film by French director Marcel Carné, made during the Nazi occupation of France. Set among the Parisian theatre scene of the 1830s, it tells the story of a beautiful courtesan, Garance, and the four men who love her in their own ways: a mime, an actor, a criminal and an aristocrat. A three-hour film divided into two halves, it was described in the original American trailer as the French answer to *Gone with the Wind*. Was voted "Best French Film Ever" in a poll of 600 French critics and professionals in 1995

**Chocolat - ( 2000)****Audio:** English, French**Subtitles:** English, Spanish

121 min, Drama/Romance, Rated PG-13

Based on the novel of the same name by Joanne Harris, and was directed by Lasse Hallström, starred Juliette Binoche, Johnny Deep. The film was nominated for Academy Awards, BAFTAs, and Golden Globes. It won a Screen Actors Guild Award. *Chocolat* tells the story of a young mother who arrives at the fictional, repressed French village of Lansquenet-sous-Tannes with her six-year-old daughter and opens La Chocolaterie Maya, a small chocolaterie. Her chocolate quickly begins to change the lives of the townspeople through magic, setting up a conflict with Francis Reynaud, the parish curate.

**Claire's Knee - (1970)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English


105 min, Comedy/Drama, Rated PG

(French: **Le genou de Claire**) It is the fifth movie in the series of the Six Moral Tales. Best Picture of the Year. French diplomat Jerome on a resort vacation meets Claire, the teen-aged daughter of a friend. Though engaged to be married, Jerome falls hopelessly in love -- not with Claire, but with Claire's knee. Realizing that to be revealed as a fetishist would be ruinous for him, Jerome does not act upon his obsession. Eventually he gets to fulfill his yearnings by placing his hand upon Claire's knee; a gesture which she assumes is out of sympathy for a personal crisis she is going through.

**Coco Avant Chanel - (2009)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English, French


110 min, Biography, Rated PG-13

This intriguing portrait of the early life of Gabrielle Bonheur Chanel, the orphan who would build a fashion empire and be known universally by her nickname, Coco. She journeys from a mundane seamstress job to boisterous cabarets to the opulent French countryside, possessing little more than her unwavering determination, unique style and visionary talent.

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<p><b><u>Colonel Chabert - (1994)</u></b>  <b>Audio:</b> French  <b>Subtitles:</b> English            110 min, Drama, Not Rated </p>	<p>Colonel Chabert has been severely wounded in the French-Russian Napoleonic war to the point that the medical examiner has signed his death certificate. When he regains his health and memory, he goes back to Paris, where his "widow", Anne has married the Count Ferraud and is financing his rise to power using Chabert's money. Chabert hires a lawyer to help him get back his money and his honor..</p>
<p><b><u>Cyrano De Bergerac - (1990)</u></b>  <b>Audio:</b> French  <b>Subtitles:</b> English, Spanish            135 min, Drama/Romance, Rated PG</p>	<p>Based on the 1897 play of the same name by Edmond Rostand. It was directed by Jean-Paul Rappeneau and adapted by Jean-Claude Carrière and Jean-Paul Rappeneau, starred Gérard Depardieu. A dashing officer of the guard and romantic poet, Cyrano de Bergerac falls in love with his cousin Roxane without her knowing. His one fault in his life, he feels, is his large nose and although it may have been a forming influence in his rapier-sharp wit, he believes that Roxane will reject him. He resorts to writing letters to her on behalf of one of his cadets, Christian, who is also in love with Roxane but just doesn't know how to tell her. She falls for the poetic charm of the letters but believes that they were written by Christian</p>
<p><b><u>Dead Poets Society - (1989)</u></b>  <b>Audio:</b> English, French  <b>Subtitles:</b> English            129 min, Drama, Rated PG</p>	<p>Academy Award winner, Robin Williams, plays an English teacher, who in an age of crew cuts, sport coats and conformity, inspires his students to live life to the fullest. The charismatic teacher's emotionally charged challenge is met by his students with irrepressible enthusiasm</p>
<p><b><u>Demandez La Permission Aux Enfants - (2007) -</u></b>  <b>** Online **</b>  <b>Audio:</b> French  <b>Subtitles:</b> English            96 min, Comedy, Not Rated</p>	<p>(English: <b>Kid Power</b>)Three very different families are confronted by the same problem--their children have taken over. And then one day, everything changes dramatically. The straw that breaks the camel's back, one prank or lie too many, and here are the adults deciding to unite their forces to pay back in kind the disobedience of these little devils in short pants. Between the children kings and the rebel parents, henceforth anything goes!</p>
<p><b><u>Driving Miss Daisy - (1989)</u></b>  <b>Audio:</b> French, English, Spanish  <b>Subtitles:</b> English, French, Spanish            99 min, Drama/Comedy, Rated PG</p>	<p>The story of a genteel but strong-willed Southern matron, Miss Daisy, and her patient but equally determined chauffeur Hoke. For two people so different, they have a lot in common. And the bumpy road they travel ultimately leads for the friendship of a lifetime.</p>

**FRENCH DVDs****DESCRIPTION****Get DVDs at the Front Counter****East/West - (1999)****Audio:** French, Russian**Subtitles:** English, French121 min, Drama/History, Rated PG-13 

(French: **Est - Ouest**) June 1946: Stalin invites Russian emigres to return to the motherland. It's a trap: when a ship-load from France arrives in Odessa, only a physician and his family are spared execution or prison. He and his French wife (her passport ripped up) are sent to Kiev. She wants to return to France immediately; he knows that they are captives and must watch every step. By chance, she meets a touring French actress and pleads for help. She also takes a young swimmer under her wing, and several years later, he makes a bold attempt to escape. Meanwhile, the KGB is suspicious, and hope for freedom is dim. Patience, her husband's self control, and her good looks may be their only assets.

**Europa Europa - (1990)****Audio:** French, German, Russian**Subtitles:** English, French, Spanish112 min, Drama/History, Rated R 

Agnieszka Holland's EUROPA EUROPA is the fascinating fact-based story of Solomon Perel, a German Jew who survived the Holocaust by concealing his identity, literally within enemy ranks.

**Farinelli - (1994)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English, French, Spanish, Portuguese

110 min, Drama/Music, Rated R

Directed by Gérard Corbiau, stars Stefano Dionisi. It is a biopic film about the life and career of Italian opera singer Farinelli, considered one of the greatest castrato singers of all time. He has all the charisma, talent, drive and success of a modern-day rock star.

**Fly Away Home - (1996)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English, Spanish French,

107 min, Drama, Rated PG

About the daughter of a widower who, with her father, leads a flock of Canada geese from Canada to a wildlife refuge in the US.

**Forrest Gump (1994) - \*\* Online \*\*****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

142 min, Drama, Rated PG-13

American epic romantic-comedy-drama film based on the 1986 novel of the same name by Winston Groom. The film was directed by Robert Zemeckis and stars Tom Hanks, Robin Wright, Gary Sinise, Mykelti Williamson, and Sally Field. The story depicts several decades in the life of Forrest Gump, a slow-witted and naïve, but good-hearted and athletically prodigious, man from Alabama who witnesses, and in some cases influences, some of the defining events of the latter half of the 20th century in the United States; more specifically, the period between Forrest's birth in 1944 and 1982.

**FRENCH DVDs****DESCRIPTION****Get DVDs at the Front Counter****Hate - (1995)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

98 min, Crime/Drama, Rated R

(French: **La Haine**) When a young Arab is arrested and beaten unconscious by police, a riot erupts in the notoriously violent suburbs outside of Paris. Three of the victim's peers, Vinz (Vincent Cassel), Said (Said Taghmaoui) and Hubert (Hubert Koundé), wander aimlessly about their home turf in the aftermath of the violence as they try to come to grips with their outrage over the brutal incident. After one of the men finds a police officer's discarded weapon, their night seems poised to take a bleak turn.

**I'm Going Home - (2001)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

90 min, Drama/Comedy, Not Rated

(French: **Je rentre à la maison**) Elderly actor Gilbert Valence (Michel Piccoli) steps offstage after a performance and is told that his wife, his daughter and his son-in-law have all been killed in a horrific auto accident. Time passes, and Gilbert, now the guardian of his orphaned grandson, struggles to hold on to the small meaningful routines of his life. After taking a role in a film directed by American John Crawford (John Malkovich), he considers how to manage the end of his career.

**Il Postino - The Postman - (1994)****Audio:** Italian, French**Subtitles:** English

108 min, Biography, Rated PG

The life of the fisherman Mario changes dramatically when the famous Chilean writer Pablo Neruda settles on his little Italian island. Living in exile because of his political beliefs, Neruda needs a postman to deliver the huge quantities of mail sent to him by his admirers and Mario takes the job since he hates fishing anyway. The two become friends and Neruda helps the shy and clumsy Mario to win the heart of Beatrice, the beautiful waitress at the village's inn, by showing him the beauty and power of poetry.

**In the Land of the Deaf - (1992) - \*\*Online\*\*****Audio:** French, French Sign Language**Subtitles:** English, French

99 min, Documentary, Not Rated

(French: **Le pays des sourds**) With unerring curiosity and sensitivity, director Philbert portrays the difficulties and joys of being deaf, offering vivid portraits of people of all ages coping with and surmounting their challenges.

**FRENCH DVDs****DESCRIPTION****Get DVDs at the Front Counter****Indochine - (1992)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English, French, Spanish

148 min, Drama/Romance, Rated PG-13

French film set in colonial French Indochina during the 1930s. The screenplay was written by novelist Erik Orsenna, script writers Louis Gardel, Catherine Cohen and director Régis Wargnier. It was directed by Wargnier. The film stars Catherine Deneuve, Vincent Perez, Linh Dan Pham, Jean Yanne and Dominique Blanc. Academy Awards for Best Foreign Language Film and Catherine Deneuve received a nomination for Best Actress. It is the story of Éliane Devries, a French plantation owner, and of her adopted Vietnamese daughter, Camille, with the rising Vietnamese nationalist movement set as a backdrop. It was directed by Wargnier.

**Joan The Maid - (1994 )****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

Biography/Historical Drama, Not Rated

**Joan the Maid: The Battles"** (112 min.)**Joan the Maid: The Prisons"** (116 min.)

(French: **Jeanne la Pucelle**) In this extraordinary, two-part historical epic, director Jacques Rivette presents a fresh, brilliant re-interpretation of one of the great historical figures of all time--Joan Of Arc. "Joan the Maid" features a spectacular performance by Sandrine Bonnaire in an amazing portrayal of a simple young woman who is driven by her belief that she is destined to save France.

"**Joan the Maid: The Battles**" follows Joan from her birth, through her response to inner voices, to triumphant early victories over the English.

"**Joan the Maid: The Prisons**" continues with Joan and the Dauphin of France embarking on a series of victories.

**Joyeux Noël - (2005)****Audio:** English, French, German**Subtitles:** English, Spanish, Portuguese

166 min, Drama/Romance, Rated PG-13

On Christmas Eve during world War I, the Germans, French, and Scottish fraternize and get to know the men who live on the opposite side of a brutal war, in what became a true lesson of humanity.

**Jules and Jim - (1962)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

105 min, Drama/Romance, Not Rated

(French: **Jules et Jim**) is a French film directed by François Truffaut and based on the semi-autobiographical novel by Henri-Pierre Roché. Starred Jeanne Moreau, Oskar Werner and Henri Serre. In Paris, 1900, two friends, Jules (Austrian) and Jim (French) fall in love with the same woman, Catherine. But Catherine loves and marries Jules. After WWI, when they meet again in Germany, Catherine starts to love Jim. A Story of three people in love, a love which does not affect their friendship, and about how their relationship evolves with the years.

**FRENCH DVDs****DESCRIPTION****Get DVDs at the Front Counter****Kiki's Delivery Service - (1989)****Audio:** English, French, Japanese, Spanish**Subtitles:** English, French

105 min, Fantasy/Drama, Rated G

**\*\*Animated Movie**

When an apprentice witch turns thirteen, she must leave her home in order to hone her craft. Although Kiki's sole talent is broom-flying, she sets out for adventure with her cat Jiji. They settle in a charming seaside town, where Kiki establishes her own delivery service. As Kiki learns to balance independence with responsibility, her kind heart wins her many new friends in this coming-of-age tale.

**Kirikou and the Sorceress - (1998)****Audio:** English, French**Subtitles:** English

74 min, Fantasy/Drama

**\*\*Animated Movie**

(French: **Kirikou et la sorcière**) Directed by Michael Ocelote. It is a Franco-Belgian traditional animation feature film written and directed by Michel Ocelot. Loosely based on a West African folk tale, it tells of how a newborn boy saves his village by ridding them of the evil witch Karaba.

**L'Atalante - (1934)****Audio:** English, French**Subtitles:** English

74 min, Drama/Romance, Not Rated

A French film directed by Jean Vigo and starring Jean Dasté, Dita Parlo and Michel Simon. It has been hailed by many critics as one of the greatest films of all time. When Juliette marries Jean, she comes to live on his ship, on board of which are, besides the two of them, only a cabin boy and the strange old second mate Pere Jules. Soon bored by life on the river, she slips off to see the nightlife when they come to Paris. Angered by this, Jean sets off, leaving Juliette behind. Overcome by grief and longing for his wife, Jean falls into a depression and Pere tries to find her.

**La Cage Aux Folles - (1978)****Audio:** English, French**Subtitles:** English, French, Spanish

97 min, Comedy, Rated R

Two gay men living in St. Tropez have their lives turned upside down when the son of one of the men announces he is getting married. They try conceal their lifestyle and their ownership of the transvestite club downstairs when the fiancée and her parents come for dinner.

**La Promesse - (1996)****Audio:** French, Italian**Subtitles:** English, Italian

93 min, Drama, Not Rated

After his father kills a young man, a 15 year-old boy who has never known wrong from right finds himself at the center of a moral crisis. This boy must choose between his love for his father and the demands of his awakening conscience.

**La Séparation - (1994)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

88 min, Drama/Romance, Not Rated

The painful break-up of a couple provides the focus of this intense French drama film directed by Christian Vincent and based on the novel La Séparation by Dan Franck. Starring Isabelle Huppert and Daniel Auteuil Anne and Pierre live in Paris with their 15 month old son. When Anne suddenly announces that she loves another whom she will openly date, Pierre begins to suffer a quiet breakdown. In the end, he loses both Anne and his beloved son.

**FRENCH DVDs****DESCRIPTION****Get DVDs at the Front Counter****La Vie en Rose - (2007)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English140 min, Biography/Drama, Rated PG-13 

A French cinema film directed by Cesar Award nominee Olivier Dahan, about the life of the legendary French chanteuse Édith Piaf, and is named after her signature song. The film won five Césars, including one for best actress, and Marion Cotillard won an Academy Award for her performance, marking the first time an Oscar had been given for a French-language role.

**Le Chemin du Retour - (2000)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English, French120 min, Drama, Rated R 

The story of a young television journalist, Camille Leclair, and her pursuit of the truth about her grandfather's mysterious past. Through Camille's quest, students learn language and culture in the functional context provided by the story.

**Le Diner De Cons - (1998) - \*\* Online \*\*****Audio:** English, French**Subtitles:** English87 min, Comedy, Rated PG-13 

Every wednesday a group of friends have a meal together. There is a game coupled with the meal: each one of them has to bring an "idiot". The game consists in making the idiots talk about their ideas and passions so the hosts can have a good laugh. At the end they will choose the "idiot of the evening". One of the hosts has invited his idiot home so they could go to the dinner together, but unfortunately he gets a severe pain in his back due to an accident that day and can't go to the "meal of idiots". Even worse is the fact that the idiot tries to help him all the time, and naturally does everything wrong and aggravates every situation.

**Les Destinées - (2000)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English174 min, Drama/Romance, Not Rated 

A French film directed by Olivier Assayas, starring Emmanuelle Béart. It was entered into the 2000 Cannes Film Festival. Jean is introduced in 1900 as the minister to the small Protestant community Barbazac. His marriage is in shambles and he suspects his wife, Nathalie, of infidelity. Soon after they split, Jean meets and falls in love with Pauline, a younger girl from his congregation. The two marry and move to Switzerland, where they live until Jean becomes obligated to take over the family business. Upon their return to France, Jean and Pauline find their love tested by the pressures of an increasingly modern world.



**FRENCH DVDs****DESCRIPTION****Get DVDs at the Front Counter****Let Joy Reign Supreme - (1975)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English114 min, Drama/Romance, Not Rated 

(French: **Que la fête commence...**) It is a historical drama set during the 18th century French Régence centring on the Breton Pontcallec Conspiracy. Takes a look at the 18th century reign of Philippe d'Orléans, the French regent who juggled his lust for debauchery with his political responsibilities. His appetites are witnessed by the ambitious Abbé Dubois (Jean Rochefort), an archbishop who humors him with the hope that someday his own thirst for power will be rewarded. All that decadence backfires, however, as citizens give into their disappointment and rage. It won the French Syndicate of Cinema Critics Prix Méliès, and the César Award for Best Director, Best Supporting Actor, Best Writing and Best Production Design, and was nominated for Best Film, Best Supporting Actress and Best Music.

**Look At Me - (2004)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

110 min, Comedy/Drama, Rated PG-13

(French: **Comme une image**) Lolita, an aspiring singer who hates everyone who pays attention to her because of her famous father and assumes that no one would pay attention to her for any other reason. It's not surprising, because her father Etienne, an acclaimed writer, surrounds himself with people who want something from him--including a less famous writer who finds success thanks to Etienne, and whose wife happens to be Lolita's music teacher.

**Love and the Frenchwoman - (1960)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English135 min, Comedy, Not Rated 

(French: **La française et l'amour**) This unique anthology explores seven pivotal stages of love in a Frenchwoman's life through seven short films made by seven directors. In "**Childhood**," 9-year old Pierre-Jean Vaillard suffers a traumatic experience when he takes his parents' "cabbage patch" theory of conception too literally. In "**Adolescence**," a little girl constructs an elaborate fantasy world on the occasion of her first kiss. "**Virginity**" is a study in frustration, as a betrothed couple agonizingly awaits their wedding-night consummation of their ardor. "**Marriage**" finds a union ending almost before it begins as a pair of newlyweds bicker all the way to their honeymoon rendezvous. "**Adultery**" allows the husband the opportunity to calmly provide an object lesson to his wife's lover. In "**Divorce**," a couple finds that it's impossible to have a "civilized" breakup. And in "**A Woman Alone**," bigamist Robert Lamoreaux meets his Waterloo in the forms of Martine Carol and Sylvia Montfort.

**FRENCH DVDs****DESCRIPTION****Get DVDs at the Front Counter****Madame Bovary - (1991)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English, French, Spanish

143 min, Drama, Rated PG-13

French film directed by Claude Chabrol and based on the novel *Madame Bovary* by the 19th century French author Gustave Flaubert. It was nominated for the Golden Globe Award for Best Foreign Language Film as well as for the Academy Award for Costume Design. It was also entered into the 17th Moscow International Film Festival where Isabelle Huppert won the award for Best Actress.

The beautiful wife of a small-town doctor engages in extramarital love affairs in an attempt to advance her social status.

**Manon of the Spring - (1986)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English, French, Spanish

113 min, Drama, Rated PG

(French: **Manon des sources**) A beautiful but shy shepherdess plots vengeance on the men whose greedy conspiracy to acquire her father's land caused his death years earlier.

**Merci Pour Le Chocolat - (2000)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

99 min, Drama, Not Rated

Directed by Claude Chabrol, is a story about Mika (Isabelle Huppert), the couture-attired, oh-so perfect head of a company that manufactures Swiss chocolate and Andre, her suave, concert pianist husband whose first wife died years ago in a mysterious car accident. When a beautiful young woman unexpectedly enters Mika and Andre's life, long held secrets are revealed and facades fall away.

**M: I-2 - Mission Impossible 2 - (2000)****Audio:** English, French**Subtitles:** English

123 min, Action/Thriller, Rated PG-13

American action spy film directed by John Woo and starring Tom Cruise, who also served as the film's producer. It is the sequel to Brian De Palma's 1996 film *Mission: Impossible* and has Cruise reprising his role as agent Ethan Hunt of the IMF, a top-secret espionage and clandestine operation agency. The film is the second installment of the *Mission: Impossible* film series and was followed by *Mission: Impossible III* (2006), *Mission: Impossible – Ghost Protocol* (2011) and *Mission: Impossible – Rogue Nation* (2015).

**Moliere - (2007)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English, Spanish

121 min, Comedy/History, Rated PG-13

A down-and-out actor-cum-playwright is up to his ears in debt. When the wealthy Jourdain offers to cover that debt so that Molière's theatrical talents might help Jourdain win the heart of a certain widowed marquise, hilarity ensues. Disguised as a priest, Molière becomes a guest in Jourdain's palace on the pretext of teaching Jourdain the craft of the stage, which annoys his wife, Elmire. But, soon after, the confrontation between Elmire and Molière turns seductive. Too busy to notice, Jourdain enlists the aid of a well connected and scheming acquaintance, to help him pursue the young widow.

**FRENCH DVDs****DESCRIPTION****Get DVDs at the Front Counter****My Father's Glory - (1990) - \*\* Online \*\*****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

105 min, Biography/Drama, Rated G

(French: **La gloire de mon père**) A young boy's life in turn-of-the-century France. Marcel, witnesses the success of his teacher father, as well as the success of his arrogant Uncle Jules. Marcel and family spend their summer vacation in a cottage in Provence, and Marcel befriends a local boy who teaches him the secrets of the hills in Provence. Based on the book written by Marcel Pagnol

**My Best Friend - (2006)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English, Spanish

95 min, Comedy, Rated PG-13

(French: **Mon meilleur ami**) Catherine refuses to believe that her business partner, the unlikeable François, has a best friend, so she challenges him to set up an introduction. Scrambling to find someone willing to pose as his best pal, François enlists the services of a charming taxi driver to play the part.

**Nelly et Monsieur Arnaud - (1995)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

106 min, Drama/Romance, Not Rated ?

An elegant and romantic story. Nelly is married to Jérôme, man who has stopped working or searching for work. Nelly has a part-time job but not enough to pay debts. She meets Pierre Arnaud, a wealthy, retired businessman. After knowing she is in debt, Arnaud spontaneously decides to give Nelly 30,000 francs as a gift. Nelly reluctantly accepts, pays off her overdue rent and moves out of the apartment. Nelly agrees to type up Arnaud's memoirs, but Arnaud insists this will not be to repay the money he already gave her; he will pay her for this work. Nelly thus learns more about Arnaud's life: he was a judge in a French colony, and later a businessman. Nelly has an affair with Arnaud's editor. Arnaud feels a little jealous.

**Nothing to Declare - (2010) - \*\* Online \*\*****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

108 min, Comedy, Rated PG

(French: **Rien à Déclarer**) A Belge-Francophobe customs officer is forced to team up with a Frenchman during the elimination of the Franco-Belge borders.

**October Sky - (1999)****Audio:** French, English**Subtitles:** English

108 min, Biography/Drama, Rated PG ?

It is based on the true story of Homer Hickam, a coal miner's son who was inspired by the first Sputnik launch to take up rocketry against his father's wishes, and eventually became a NASA scientist.

**Out of Time - (2003)****Audio:** English, French, Spanish**Subtitles:** English, French, Spanish

105 min, Drama/Thriller, Rated PG-13 ?

Matt Lee Whitlock, chief of police in the small town of Banyan Key, Fla., is respected by his peers and loved by his community. But when Banyaney is shocked by a double homicide, everything Matt Lee thought he knew starts to unravel as he falls under suspicion. Racing against time to solve the murders, Matt Lee must stay a few steps ahead of his own police force and everyone he's trusted in order to uncover the truth.

**FRENCH DVDs****DESCRIPTION****Get DVDs at the Front Counter****Paris - (2008)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English, Spanish

129 min, Drama/Romance, Rated R

Pierre, a professional dancer, suffers from a serious heart disease. While he is waiting for a transplant which may (or may not) save his life, he has nothing better to do than look at the people around him, from the balcony of his Paris apartment. When Elise, his sister with three kids and no husband, moves in to his place to care for him, Pierre does not change his new habits. And instead of dancing himself, it is Paris and the Parisians who dance before his eyes.

**Paris, Je t'aime - (2006)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

120 min, Drama/Romance, Rated R

(English: **Paris, I Love You**) is a 2006 anthology film starring an ensemble cast of actors of various nationalities. The two-hour film consists of eighteen short films set in different arrondissements. The 22 directors include Gurinder Chadha, Sylvain Chomet, Joel and Ethan Coen, Gérard Depardieu, Wes Craven, Alfonso Cuarón, Nobuhiro Suwa, Alexander Payne, Tom Tykwer, Walter Salles, Yolande Moreau and Gus Van Sant.

**Peace Child - (1972)****Audio:** English, French, Spanish, Italian, Chinese, Japanese, Arabic**Subtitles:** English

80 min, Documentary/Faith, Not Rated

Missionaries Don and Carol Richardson re-create their harrowing experience working in the remote jungle of Papua, New Guinea. After learning the language of the Sawi, Don teaches the Gospel but is shocked when it results in bitter fighting between villages. The couple is about to pack up and leave when the tribal leaders make a peace offering: Each village exchanges a baby, and this "Peace Child" is a guarantee that the fighting will end.

**Pédale Dure - (2004)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** French

90 min, Comedy, Rated PG-13

Loic and Seb are a couple living in Paris's gay district, the Marais. Seb is the owner of the district's most trendy, chic and camp nightclub. It's a world devoid of judging eyes where the clientele can be themselves. Things are just terrific. What's more, Loic's dream of transmitting his heart and soul to another human being is about to come true: he's going to be a father. He gave his sperm to Marie Haguette.. Things are just terrific, until Marie falls in love with Charles....

**Perceval - (1978)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English



140 min, Drama/Romance, Not Rated

(French: **Perceval le Gallois**) French film directed by Éric Rohmer. It was inspired by Chrétien de Troyes's 12th-century Arthurian romance Perceval, the Story of the Grail. The film chronicles Perceval's knighthood, maturation and eventual peerage amongst the Knights of the Round Table, and also contains brief episodes from the story of Gawain and the crucifixion of Christ.

**Ponette - (1996)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

92 min, Drama, Not Rated

French film directed by Jacques Doillon. The film centers on four-year-old Ponette (Victoire Thivisol), who is coming to terms with the death of her mother. The film received acclaim for Thivisol's performance, who was only four at the time of filming.

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<p><b><u>Priceless - (2006)</u></b>  <b>Audio:</b> French  <b>Subtitles:</b> English            106 min, Drama/Romance, Rated PG-13</p>	<p>(French: <b>Hors de prix</b>) Through a set of wacky circumstances, a young gold digger mistakenly woos a mild-mannered bartender thinking he's a wealthy suitor.</p>
<p><b><u>Ratatouille - (2007)</u></b>  <b>Audio:</b> French, English  <b>Subtitles:</b> English            106 min, Drama/Romance, Rated PG-13</p>	<p>A rat named Remy dreams of becoming a great chef despite his family's wishes and the obvious problem of being a rat in a decidedly rodent-phobic profession. When fate places Remy in the city of Paris, he finds himself ideally situated beneath a restaurant made famous by his culinary hero, Auguste Gusteau. He learns the truth about friendship, family and having no choice but to be who he really is, a rat who wants to be a chef.</p>
<p><b><u>Ridicule - (1996)</u></b>  <b>Audio:</b> French  <b>Subtitles:</b> English            103 min, Drama/Romance, Rated R </p>	<p>This movie is set in the 18th century at the decadent court of Versailles, where social status can rise and fall based on one's ability to mete out witty insults and avoid ridicule oneself. The story critiques the social injustices of late 18th century France, in showing the corruption and callousness of the aristocrats.</p>
<p><b><u>Round Midnight - (1986)</u></b>  <b>Audio:</b> French  <b>Subtitles:</b> English, French, Spanish            133 min, Drama/Historical, Rated R </p>	<p>American-French musical drama film directed by Bertrand Tavernier and written by Tavernier and David Rayfiel. It stars Dexter Gordon, François Cluzet and Herbie Hancock. Martin Scorsese, Philippe Noiret and Wayne Shorter appear in cameos. The protagonist jazzman, "Dale Turner", was based on a composite of real-life jazz legends Lester Young (tenor sax) and Bud Powell (piano). While the film is fictionalized, it is drawn directly from the memoir/ biography Dance of the Infidels written by French author Francis Paudras, who had befriended Powell during his Paris expatriate days and on whom the character "Francis" is based. The film is a wistful and tragic portrait that captures the Paris jazz scene of the 1950s.</p>
<p><b><u>Samba - (2014)</u></b>  <b>Audio:</b>  <b>Subtitles:</b> English            120 min, Comedy/Drama, Rated R</p>	<p>Sparks fly between an illegal immigrant, Samba (Omar Sy), and the caseworker, Alice (Charlotte Gainsbourg), who tries to help him stay in Paris.</p>
<p><b><u>Serial (Bad) Weddings(2014)</u></b>  <b>Audio:</b> French  <b>Subtitles:</b> English            97 min, Comedy , Rated R</p>	<p>A Catholic French couple sees their life upside down when their four daughters get married to men of different religion and origins.</p>

**FRENCH DVDs****DESCRIPTION****Get DVDs at the Front Counter****Stand By Me - (1986) - \*\* Online \*\*****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** French

89 min, Drama, Rated R



After the death of a friend, a writer recounts a boyhood journey to find the body of a missing boy.

It's the summer of 1959 in Castlerock, Oregon and four 12 year-old boys - Gordie, Chris, Teddy and Vern - are fast friends. After learning of the general location of the body of a local boy who has been missing for several days, they set off into woods to see it. Along the way, they learn about themselves, the meaning of friendship and the need to stand up for what is right.

**Swimming Pool - (2003)****Audio:** English, French**Subtitles:** French, Spanish

103 min, Drama/Thriller, Rated R

French-British thriller film directed by François Ozon and starring Charlotte Rampling and Ludivine Sagnier. The plot focuses on a British crime novelist, Sarah Morton, who travels to her publisher's upmarket summer house in Southern France to seek solitude in order to work on her next book. However, the arrival of Julie, the publisher's daughter, induces complications and a subsequent crime.

**The Artist - (2011)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English, Spanish

101 min, Romance/Comedy, Rated PG-13

A French romantic comedy-drama film in the style of a black-and-white silent film. The story takes place in Hollywood, between 1927 and 1932, and focuses on the relationship of an older silent film star and a rising young actress as silent cinema falls out of fashion and is replaced by the "talkies".

**The Chorus - (2004)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English, Spanish

97 min, Drama/Comedy, Rated PG-13

(French: **Les choristes**) French drama film directed by Christophe Barratier. Co-written by Barratier and Philippe Lopes-Curval (fr), it is an adaptation of the 1945 film A Cage of Nightingales (La Cage aux rossignols), which in turn was adapted by Noël-Noël and René Wheeler from a story by Wheeler and Georges Chaperot.

The new teacher at a severely administered boys' boarding school works to positively effect the students' lives through music.

**The Class - (2008)****Audio:** English, French, Spanish**Subtitles:** English, Spanish

128 min, Drama/Comedy, Rated PG-13

(French: **Entre les murs**) French drama film directed by Laurent Cantet. Its original French title translates literally to "Between the walls". It is based on the 2006 novel of the same name by François Bégaudeau. The novel is a semi-autobiographical account of Bégaudeau's experiences as a French language and literature teacher in a middle school in the 20th arrondissement of Paris, particularly illuminating his struggles with "problem children" Esmerelda (Esmeralda Ouertani), Koumba (Rachel Regulier), and Souleymane (Franck Keïta). The film stars Bégaudeau himself in the role of the teacher.

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### The Closet - (2001)

**Audio:** French

**Subtitles:** English

84 min, Comedy, Rated R

(French: **Le Placard**) A French comedy film written and directed by Francis Veber. Starring Daniel Auteuil and Gérard Depardieu. It focuses on a man whose life takes on surprisingly new dimensions when he pretends to be gay in order to keep his job.

### The Count of Monte Cristo - (1998)

**Audio:** French

**Subtitles:** English

400 min, Drama/Thriller, Not Rated

Disc 1 – Episodes I & II

Disc 2 – Episodes III & IV

(French: **Le comte de Monte Cristo**) French film based on the 1844 novel of the same name by Alexandre Dumas. Edmond Dantès is falsely accused and sentenced to spend the rest of his life in the notorious island prison, Chateau d'If. While imprisoned, he meets Abbé Faria, a fellow prisoner whom everyone believes to be mad. Abbé tells Edmond of a fantastic treasure hidden away on a tiny island that only he knows the location of. After many years in prison, the old Abbé dies, and Edmond escapes disguised as the dead body to find the treasure Abbé told him of, so he can use the new-found wealth to exact revenge on those who have wronged him.

### The Counterfeiters - (2007) - \*\* Online \*\*

**Audio:** French

**Subtitles:** French

98 min, Crime/Drama, Rated R

The Counterfeiters is the true story of the largest counterfeiting operation in history, set up by the Nazis in 1936. Salomon "Sally" Sorowitsch is the king of counterfeiters. He lives a mischievous life of cards, booze, and women in Berlin during the Nazi-era. Suddenly his luck runs dry when arrested by Superintendent Friedrich Herzog. Immediately thrown into the Mauthausen concentration camp, Salomon exhibits exceptional skills there and is soon transferred to the upgraded camp of Sachsenhausen. Upon his arrival, he once again comes face to face with Herzog, who is there on a secret mission. Hand-picked for his unique skill, Salomon and a group of professionals are forced to produce fake foreign currency under the program Operation Bernhard.... Written by Sony Pictures Classics

### The Horseman on The Roof - (1995)

**Audio:** French

**Subtitles:** English

135 min, Drama/Romance, Rated R

(French: **Le hussard sur le toit**) The film explores two significant historical events: the 1832 cholera outbreak in southern France, and the efforts by Italians to wrest independence from Austrian control. In a world ravaged by revolution and violence, two strangers (a renegade and a beautiful countess) find their only chance for survival in each other. Together they undertake a perilous journey where they also discover unmatched danger, excitement, and passion.

**FRENCH DVDs****DESCRIPTION****Get DVDs at the Front Counter****The Intouchables - (2011)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English, Spanish112 min, Biography/Comedy, Rated R 

(French: **Intouchables**) Based on a true story. When Driss, an ex-con from the projects, is hired to take care of an eccentric French aristocrat named Phillippe, his newfound job quickly becomes an unpredictable adventure. Speeding a Maserati through Paris, seducing women, and paragliding over the Alps are just the beginning, as Driss turns the often humorous world of an upper-class Parisian society upside-down. As this unlikely duo overcomes adversity of every flavor in this true story, they also shatter their preconceptions of love, life, and each other.

**The Last Samurai - (2003) - \*\* Online \*\*****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** French

154 min, Drama/History, Rated R

In the 1870s, Captain Nathan Algren, a cynical veteran of the American Civil war who will work for anyone, is hired by Americans who want lucrative contracts with the Emperor of Japan to train the peasant conscripts for the first standing imperial army in modern warfare using firearms. The imperial Omura cabinet's first priority is to repress a rebellion of traditionalist Samurai -hereditary warriors- who remain devoted to the sacred dynasty but reject the Westernizing policy and even refuse firearms. Yet when his ill-prepared superior force sets out too soon, their panic allows the sword-wielding samurai to crush them ... Written by KGF Vissers

**The Last Metro - (1980)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

131 min, Drama/Romance, Rated PG

(French: **Le dernier métro**) A stylish and poignant film about a Jewish director who is forced to hide in the basement of his theater during the Nazi occupation. Best Foreign Film, 10 French Academy Awards, Academy Award Nominee.

**The Man on the Train - (2002) - \*\* Online \*\*****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

90 min, Crime/Drama, Rated R

(French: **L'homme du Train**) Milan (Johnny Hallyday) is a beleaguered old thief who rolls into a small French town with the aim of robbing its bank. However, a chance meeting with a local professor, Monsieur Manesquier (Jean Rochefort), delays his scheme and leads to an unexpected friendship. Milan has grown tired of his adventurous life on the run and wishes to retire in peace; Manesquier craves the danger he's never known in his bookish existence. Their shared admiration and envy inspires each to follow his dream.

**The Man Who Loved Women - (1977)****Audio:** French, Spanish**Subtitles:** English, French, Spanish

120 min, Drama/Romance, Rated R

(French: **L'homme qui aimait les femmes**) An eccentric Casanova who loves every woman he meets-literally! Bertrand Morane is a ladies' man like no other. Many women are attending his burial. They are all the ones that 40 years old engineer loved. Flashback : Bertrand's life and love affairs, told by himself while writing an autobiographical novel. A film about the love relationships, the need to charm and the literary creation.



**FRENCH DVDs****DESCRIPTION****Get DVDs at the Front Counter****The Motorcycle Diaries - (2004) - \*\* Online****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** French & English

126 min, Drama/Biography, Rated R

Based on a true life story, The Motorcycle Diaries is an inspiring and thrilling adventure that traces the youthful origins of a revolutionary spirit. The film follows two daring friends, Ernesto "Che" Guevara (Gael Garcia Bernal) &, Alberto Granado (Rodrigo de la Serna), who hop on the back of a beat-up motorcycle for a breathtaking and exciting road trip across Latin America. A life-changing journey that critics are hailing as "Magnificent!"

**The Passion of Joan of Arc - (1928)****\*\*Silent Film FR inter-titles****Subtitles:** English, French

114 min, Biography, Not Rated

(French: **La passion de Jeanne d'Arc**) A French silent film accompanied by an oratorio composed in 1994 for this movie. Based on the trial records of Joan of Arc. The film was directed by Carl Theodor Dreyer. It is widely regarded as a landmark of cinema. Unforgettably dramatic true history.

**The Princess Bride - (1987)****Audio:** English, Spanish**Subtitles:** French, Spanish

98 min, Fantasy/Romance, Rated PG

A fantastical escape into a world of swashbuckling swordsmen and gallant heroes. When Westley leaves to seek his fortune, his true love, Buttercup, is captured by an evil price. Will Westley return in time to save her? Can he battle the wizards, warriors and pirates set in his way?

**The Return of Martin Guerre - (1982)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

122 min, Drama/Romance, Not Rated

(French: **Le Retour de Martin Guerre**) French film directed by Daniel Vigne and starring Gérard Depardieu and Nathalie Baye. It is based on true events in France during the 16th century. The film depicts a case of identity theft after a war, a man showing up in his village several years after his departure, soon eliciting suspicions from his former friends on his identity.

**The Shawshank Redemption****Audio:** English, French**Subtitles:** English, French

142 min, Drama/Thriller, Rated R

American drama film written and directed by Frank Darabont and starring Tim Robbins and Morgan Freeman. Adapted from the Stephen King novella Rita Hayworth and Shawshank Redemption, the film tells the story of Andy Dufresne, a banker who is sentenced to life in Shawshank State Prison for the murder of his wife and her lover despite his claims of innocence. During his time at the prison, he befriends a fellow inmate, Ellis Boyd "Red" Redding, and finds himself protected by the guards after the warden begins using him in his money laundering operation.

**FRENCH DVDs****DESCRIPTION****Get DVDs at the Front Counter****The Son - (2002)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English103 min, Drama/Mystery, Not Rated 

(French: **Le fils**) Belgian-French mystery film directed by Jean-Pierre and Luc Dardenne.

Olivier, a carpenter by trade who teaches at a trades training center, knowingly takes on Francis Thorion, the murderer of his son, as an apprentice. Francis is unaware of his connection with Olivier from five years ago. Olivier, tormented by the loss of his son and his separation from his wife, develops a slight obsession with Francis. He stalks him home, steals his keys and explores his apartment, whilst slowly discovering more about the boy. Francis looks up to Olivier, seeing him as a surrogate role-model. With this on his mind, Olivier is ultimately torn between hatred for the murderer of his son and the moral ambiguity of accepting this child from a broken home and disillusioned past

**The Spanish Apartment - (2002)****Audio:** French, Spanish**Subtitles:** English, Spanish

102 min, Drama/Comedy, Rated R

(French: **L'auberge espagnole**) French-Spanish film.

An Economics graduate student studying for a year in Barcelona, Spain as part of the Erasmus program, where he encounters and learns from a group of students who hail from all over Western Europe. The film's portrayal is in the first-person perspective of the main character, Xavier, and is hence mainly narrated in French. Some of the dialogue is in English however, and a significant amount is in Spanish, as well as small amounts in Catalan, Danish, German and Italian.

**The Triplets of Belleville - 2003****Audio:** French (little dialog - not spoken)**Subtitles:** English

78 min, Drama/Adventure, Not Rated

**\*\*Animated Movie**

(French: **Les triplettes de Belleville**) There is little dialogue, the majority of the film story being told through song and pantomime. It tells the story of Madame Souza, an elderly woman who goes on a quest to rescue her grandson Champion, who has been kidnapped by the French mafia and taken to the city of Belleville. She is joined by the triplets of Belleville, music hall singers from the 1930s, who she meets in the city, and her dog Bruno.

**The Umbrellas of Cherbourg - (1964)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

91 min, Drama/Musical, Rated G


(French: **Les parapluies de Cherbourg**) French musical film directed by Jacques Demy, starring Catherine Deneuve and Nino Castelnuovo. The music was written by Michel Legrand. The film dialogue is all sung as recitative, even the most casual conversation (similar in style to an opera). Grand Prize Cannes Film Festival. Nominated for 5 Academy Awards. A bittersweet love story, "one of the most beautiful films ever made".

A young girl separated from her lover by war faces a life altering decision

**FRENCH DVDs****DESCRIPTION****Get DVDs at the Front Counter****The Valet - (2006) - \*\* Online \*\*****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

85 min, Drama/Comedy, Rated PG-13

(French: **La doublure**) French comedy film written and directed by Francis Veber. The screenplay focuses on a parking valet who is enlisted to impersonate the lover of a famous fashion model in order to deflect attention from her relationship with a married businessman.

**The Widow of Saint-Pierre - (2000)****Audio:** English, French**Subtitles:** English, French, Spanish120 minutes, Drama/Romance, Rated R 

(French: **La veuve de Saint-Pierre**) film by Patrice Leconte with Juliette Binoche, Daniel Auteuil and Emir Kusturica. The film made its American debut at the 2000 Toronto International Film Festival. Nominated for a Golden Globe Award in 2001 for Best Foreign Language Film. Also nominated in 2001 for two César Awards.

In 1850, a ship captain is brutally murdered by Neel Auguste and Louis Ollivier in the remote outpost of Saint-Pierre, a French owned island off the coast of Newfoundland. Neel is sentenced to death while Louis gets a life term, yet ironically Louis is killed in an accident on the way to the prison. Taking pity on Auguste is Madame La, the unconventional wife of the captain responsible for carrying out the execution. As Saint-Pierre awaits the arrival of a guillotine, August becomes popular with the townspeople in "The Widow of Saint-Pierre

**Time Regained - (1999)****Audio:** French**Subtitles:** English

162 min, Drama/Romance, Not Rated

(French: **Le temps retrouvé, d'après l'oeuvre de Marcel Proust**)

It is an adaptation of the final volume of In Search of Lost Time by Marcel Proust (1871-1922). The plot is about the anonymous narrator (Proust) of In Search of Lost Time who reflects on his past experiences while lying on his deathbed. The choice to develop the last volume of In Search of Lost Time allows the film to refer to the entire series of books. For example, the film shows an episode of the first novel, Swann's Way, usually referred to as "the lady in pink", as a flashback of Time Regained.

**Vatel - (2000)****Audio:** English**Subtitles:** English103 min, Biography, Rated PG-13 

2000 English-language film based on the life of 17th-century French chef François Vatel, directed by Roland Joffé, translated by Tom Stoppard, and starring Gérard Depardieu, Uma Thurman and Tim Roth. The film was nominated for an Academy Award for Best Art Direction - Set Decoration. A French-Belgian-British production, the film opened the 2000 Cannes Film Festival.

**FRENCH DVDs****DESCRIPTION****Get DVDs at the Front Counter****Yeelen - (1987)****Audio:** Bambara, Fula**Subtitles:** English105 min, Fantasy, Not Rated [?](#)

Malian film directed by Souleymane Cissé. It is filmed in the Bambara and Fula languages, and is based on a legend told by the Bambara people. The story is a heroic quest narrative featuring magic and precognition. It stars Issiaka Kane as Niankoro, a young African man who possesses magical powers. Niamanto Sanogo plays Niankoro's father, who is tracking his son through Africa using a magical wooden post to guide him. The title means "brightness". Yeelen was met with wide critical success, and was awarded the Jury Prize at the 1987 Cannes Film Festival.[1] It was also nominated for the Golden Palm award for the same year