French 1 and 2:

There is an assignment on Google classroom. If you have not yet joined please do so. If you need the code, please email me. The assignment is to read the article about La Tour Eiffel and answer the questions, in English, in complete sentences. You are welcome to turn in a paper copy or to submit online. If you have any questions, please let me know. Have a great summer! Mrs. Ehmann
The History of the Eiffel Tower

In 1889, Paris held the World's Fair. They chose an architect named Mr. Eiffel to build a monument for the fair. Mr. Eiffel worked with the man who had helped him build the Statue of Liberty. They built the Eiffel Tower to celebrate 100 years since the French Revolution.

It took hundreds of workers over two years to put together the iron frame. When it was finished in March of 1889, it was 1000 feet tall. The Eiffel Tower was the tallest structure in the world!

Weather and the Eiffel Tower

Designed to be strong, the Eiffel Tower has 4 great legs at the base. The "skeleton" design allows wind to blow through the tower. It even sways up to 7 inches in the wind!

To protect the tower from rusting in the rain, a team uses 50 tons of dark brown paint. Every 7 years, they paint this iron giant by hand. It takes the painters a year and a half to paint the whole tower.
Visitors to the Eiffel Tower

At first, some people didn’t like the open design and said that it had “no skin!” Many people came to visit though, because it was one of the first buildings with an elevator.

Every year millions of people climb the Eiffel Tower stairs and ride the elevator up. It is one of the most famous structures in the world, and a symbol of France.

Comprehension Questions

Who built Eiffel Tower?

What is the Eiffel Tower made of?

Where is the Eiffel Tower?

Why did they build the tower?

When was it built?

How do they protect it from rust?

Would you rather climb the stairs, or ride up on the elevator?