

FRENCH DEMONSTRATIVE ADJECTIVES



French Demonstrative Adjectives

Use demonstrative adjectives when you want to say: THIS, THAT, THESE, THOSE

Like all French adjectives, they must agree with nouns in number and gender.

Demonstrative adjectives replace articles, and they come right before the nouns they modify.

Here are the French demonstrative adjectives

ce	masculine singular	ce garçon this / that boy ce stylo this / that pen ce téléphone this / that telephone
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cet	masculine singular begins with a vowel or H	cet homme this / that man cet hôtel this / that hotel cet ami this / that friend
cette	feminine singular	cette femme this / that woman cette maison this / that house cette ville this / that city
ces	masculine or feminine plural	ces stylos these / those pens ces voitures these / those cars ces villes these / those cities

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Demonstrative adjectives in French can mean either THIS or THAT, and THESE or THOSE. What if you want to differentiate between the two as we do in English?

Use the same words and follow the same rules as explained above, but add -LÀ or -CI to the noun in question.

ce	masculine singular	ce garçon this / that boy	ce garçon- ci this boy
		ce stylo this / that pen	ce garçon- là that boy
		ce téléphone this / that telephone	ce stylo- ci this pen
			ce stylo- là that pen
			ce téléphone- ci this telephone
			ce téléphone- là that telephone

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<p>cette</p>	<p>feminine singular</p>	<p>cette femme this / that woman</p> <p>cette maison this / that house</p> <p>cette ville this / that city</p>	<p>cette femme-ci this woman</p> <p>cette femme-là that woman</p> <p>cette maison-ci this house</p> <p>cette maison-là that house</p> <p>cette ville-ci this city</p> <p>cette ville-là that city</p>
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