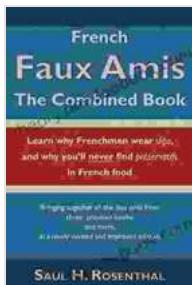


French Faux Amis: The Combined List of Misleading Words

Faux amis are words in different languages that look or sound similar but have different meanings. This can be a major source of confusion for language learners, especially when they come across a word in their target language that they think they know but actually has a different meaning.



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French is a particularly tricky language for English speakers to learn, as it is full of faux amis. This is due in part to the fact that French and English have many shared roots, but also because the two languages have undergone different sound changes over time. As a result, many words that look or sound similar in French and English actually have different meanings.

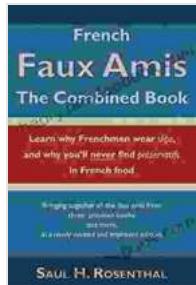
To help you avoid these pitfalls, we have compiled a list of the most common French faux amis. This list is by no means exhaustive, but it will give you a good starting point for learning about these tricky words.

French Word	English Word	Meaning in English
actuellement	actually	currently
assiette	ashtray	plate
beau	beau	beautiful (masculine)
belle	bell	beautiful (feminine)
bureau	bureau	desk
cabinet	cabinet	office
chat	chat	cat
civil	civil	polite
compagnie	company	company
comprendre	comprehend	understand
courant	current	current
déjà	deja	already
déjeuner	dejune	lunch
descendre	descend	go down
effet	effect	result
embarras	embarrassment	embarrassment

French Word	English Word	Meaning in English
enchanté	enchanted	pleased to meet you
enfant	infant	child
essayer	essay	try
excusez-moi	excuse me	excuse me
facile	facile	easy
femme	femme	woman
finir	finish	finish
fou	fou	crazy
garçon	garçon	boy
gentil	gentil	nice
grand	grand	large
haut	haut	high
idiot	idiot	idiot
joli	jolie	pretty
laid	laid	ugly
lent	lent	slow

French Word	English Word	Meaning in English
libre	libre	free
long	long	long
malade	malade	sick
marcher	March	walk
mari	mari	husband
mauvais	mauvais	bad
merci	merci	thank you
monsieur	monsieur	mister
mort	mort	dead
mourir	mourir	die
naturel	natural	natural
noir	noir	black
nouveau	nouveau	new
parfait	parfait	perfect
partir	partir	leave
patron	patron	boss

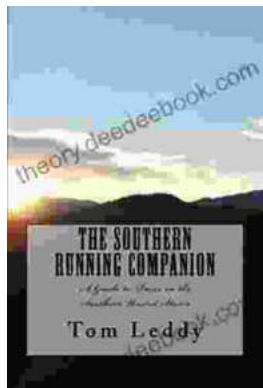
French Word	English Word	Meaning in English
penser	penser	think
petit	petit	small
pied	pied	



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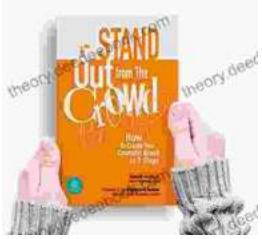
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