

## Opposites in French (Antonyms)

active – **actif** / **passif** (passive)  
beautiful – **beau** / **laid** (ugly)  
big – **grand** / **petit** (small)  
bitter – **amer** / **doux** (sweet)  
bright – **lumineux** / **obscur** (dark)  
buy – **acheter** / **vendre** (sell)  
calm – **calme** / **agitée** (agitated)  
clean – **propre** / **sale** (dirty)  
clear – **clair** / **confus** (confused)  
clever – **intelligent** / **bête** (stupid)  
close – **proche** / **éloigné** (distant)  
cold – **froid** / **chaud** (hot)  
complex – **compliqué** / **simple** (simple)  
complicated – **compliqué** / **simple** (simple)  
cool – **frais** / **tiède** (warm) or **chaud** (hot)  
courageous – **courageux** / **lâche** (cowardly) or **peureux** (fearful)  
dark – **sombre** / **clair** (light)  
day – **jour** / **nuit** (night)  
deep – **profond** / **superficiel** (shallow, superficial)  
difficult – **difficile** / **facile** (easy)  
dirty – **sale** / **propre** (clean)  
dry – **sec** / **humide** (wet) or **mouillé** (wet)  
early – **tôt** / **tard** (late)  
easy – **facile** / **difficile** (difficult / hard)  
empty – **vide** / **plein** (full) or **rempli** (filled)  
end – **fin** / **début** (start)  
expensive – **cher** / **bon marché** (cheap)  
far – **loin** / **près** (near)  
fast – **rapide** / **lent** (slow)  
fat – **gros** / **maigre** (skinny)  
fat – **gros** / **mince** (slim / thin)  
fearful – **craintif** / **brave** (brave)  
friend – **ami** / **ennemi** (enemy)  
full – **plein** / **vide** (empty)  
good – **bien** / **mal** (bad)  
happy – **heureux** / **malheureux** (unhappy)  
hard – **dur** / **mou** (soft)  
heavy – **lourd** / **léger** (light)

high – **élevé** / **bas** (low)  
high – **haut** / **bas** (low)  
hot – **chaud** / **froid** (cold)  
important – **important** / **négligeable** (negligible)  
inside – **intérieur** / **extérieur** (outside)  
interesting – **intéressant** / **ennuyeux** (boring)  
kind – **gentil** / **méchant** (mean)  
large – **grand** / **petit** (small)  
left – **gauche** / **droite** (right)  
light – **clair** / **sombre** (dark)  
light – **léger** / **lourd** (heavy)  
long – **long** / **court** (short)  
loud – **bruyant** / **silencieux** (silent)  
modern – **moderne** / **ancien** (ancient)  
narrow – **étroit** / **large** (broad / wide)  
near – **proche** / **loin** (far)  
new – **nouveau** / **ancien** (old)  
noisy – **bruyant** / **calme** (quiet)  
old – **vieux** / **jeune** (young)  
open – **ouvert** / **fermé** (closed)  
optimistic – **optimiste** / **pessimiste** (pessimistic)  
pretty – **joli** / **laid** (ugly)  
rich – **riche** / **pauvre** (poor)  
right – **droit** / **gauche** (left)  
rough – **rugueux** / **lisse** (smooth)  
safe – **sûr** / **dangereux** (dangerous)  
simple – **simple** / **compliqué** (complicated)  
slow – **lent** / **rapide** (fast)  
soft – **doux** / **dur** (hard)  
straight – **droit** / **courbe** (curved)  
strong – **fort** / **faible** (weak)  
sweet – **sucré** / **salé** (salty)  
tall – **grand** / **petit** (short)  
up – **haut** / **bas** (down)  
wet – **humide** / **sec** (dry)  
young – **jeune** / **vieux** (old)