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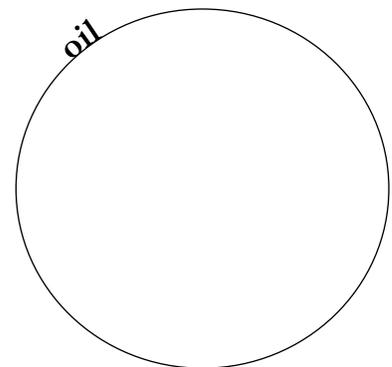
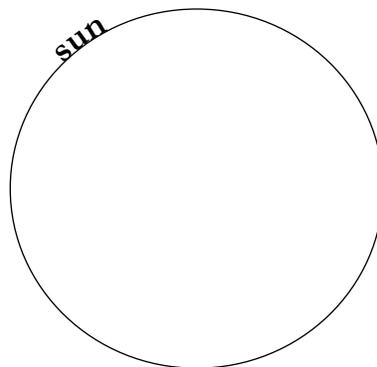
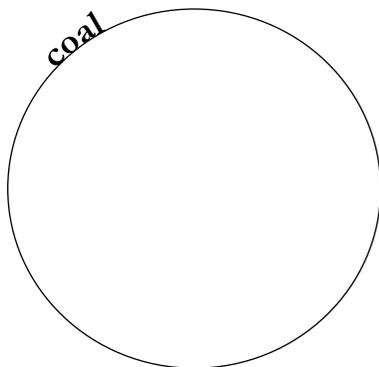
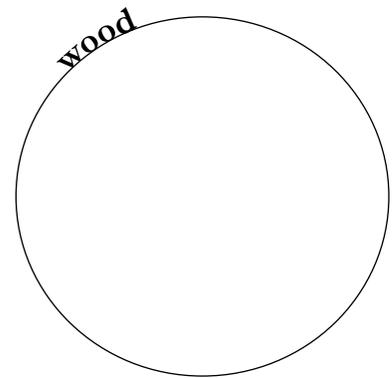
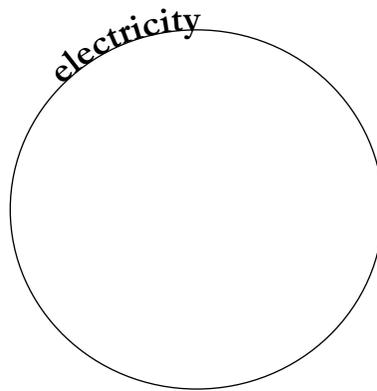
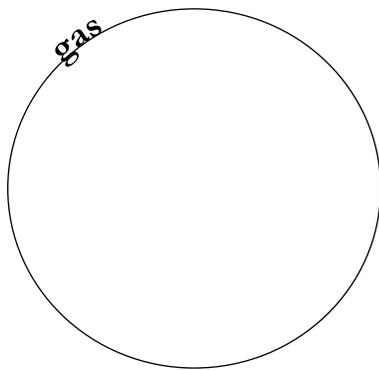
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### 3. What else can we learn?

Chambord is a very large castle. Can you imagine heating such a home? Even with all the fireplaces, it would be quite a job to bring in enough wood!

In our day, we have many ways to heat a home. Draw an image for each heat source and then match the French word to the image: *le bois, la chaleur solaire, le charbon, l'électricité, le gaz, l'huile.*



Now, conduct an opinion poll in your class about home heating. Using the Internet, which of the suggested home heating methods are the most ecologically friendly. How does you class rate?



## **Bridge and Castle**

### **1. What do you see?**

1. What are the white boxes used for?
2. What colour is Diane's hair in the portrait of her?
3. What does she have over her shoulder?
4. How is Catherine de Medici portrayed?
5. Look at the castle. How many spans are there over the river?

### **2. What do you know or learn?**

General questions

1. On what river is Chenonceau built?
2. Why was Chenonceau built?
3. What did Diane love to do?
4. How do we know this from her portrait?
5. How did she solve the problem of getting to the forest?
6. Who was Henri II's wife?
7. What did Catherine make Diane do?
8. What did Catherine introduce to Chenonceau?

### **3. What else can we learn?**

Catherine de Medici was quite a woman. Try to find out more about her.

Where was she born?

When was she born?

How many children did she have?

How many became kings?

What famous queen did her son, Francis II marry?

What utensil did Catherine introduce to the French court?

What wearing apparel did she wear to her wedding?

Interesting information: in Italy, after the introduction of the fork in the 11th century, wealthy folk would come to dinner with a "cadena" – a box containing their own personal knife and fork!



## Gardens

### 1. What do you see?

1. What is familiar about the second garden that we see?
2. What are the white urns filled with?
3. What is in the middle of the formal garden?



### 2. What do you know or learn?

#### General questions

1. What was an important event at the castles?
2. What castle are we at in this segment?
3. Why were the gardens created with such care?
4. For whom are the gardens named at Chenonceau?
5. What is your favourite flower?

### 3. What else can we learn?

Interesting information! Gardens and gardening have been very popular pastimes for centuries. One of the seven ancient wonders of the world? – The hanging gardens of Babylon. Of course, they no longer exist. Do you know any places in the world with amazing gardens?

Trees are the lungs of the earth. Match the name of the tree with its French equivalent.

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|-------------------|----------------------|
| 1. maple tree     | a) le dattier        |
| 2. fir            | b) le baobab         |
| 3. palm tree      | c) le saule pleureur |
| 4. date tree      | d) le sapin          |
| 5. weeping willow | e) le palmier        |
| 6. baobab         | f) l'érable          |