



FRENCH TABLE

The Pronoun Y



Useful verbs used with the preposition à + noun or + verb			
<i>croire à</i>	to believe in	<i>Il croit au Père Noël.</i>	He believes in Santa.
<i>faire attention à</i>	to be careful	<i>Cette veste est neuve, fais-y attention !</i>	This jacket is new, be careful with it!
<i>jouer à</i>	to play	<i>Le scrabble, on y joue pendant des heures.</i>	We play scrabble for hours.
<i>réfléchir à</i>	to think over	<i>Je dois y réfléchir.</i>	I must think about it.
<i>s'attendre à</i>	to expect	<i>On s'y attend.</i>	That's what we are expecting.
<i>s'habituer à</i>	to get used to	<i>Elle s'y est habituée.</i>	She got used to it.
<i>s'opposer à</i>	to be against	<i>Ils s'y sont vivement opposés.</i>	They were really against it.
<i>tenir à</i>	to care about	<i>Cette montre, il y tient beaucoup.</i>	This watch means a lot to him.



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Verbs used with a preposition of place			
<i>s'attarder sur</i>	to linger over	<i>On va s'y attarder.</i>	We are going to linger over it.
<i>compter sur</i>	to count on	<i>J'y compte bien !</i>	I'm counting on it!
<i>se pencher sur</i>	to focus on	<i>Nous nous y pencherons demain.</i>	We'll focus on this tomorrow.
<i>revenir sur</i>	to go back on a topic	<i>Attends, j'y reviens.</i>	Hang on, I'll go back to it.

Verbs whose complements cannot be replaced with y. (These verbs cannot take a noun complement)			
<i>aider à</i>	to help to	<i>Il m'aide à cuisiner. #m'y aide.</i>	He helps me cook.
<i>chercher à</i>	to try to	<i>Ils cherchent à comprendre. #s-y cherchent.</i>	They try to understand.
<i>commencer à</i>	to start	<i>Je commence à comprendre. #y commence.</i>	I start to understand.
<i>se décider à</i>	to decide to	<i>On se décide à partir. #n-s'y décide.</i>	We are deciding to go.

