

## Families of the World: France

1) We meet 9-year-old **Camille**, whose family runs a vineyard and winery in Beaujolais. We see the school meal prepared by a nearby restaurant, visit the vineyards and a local bakery, accompany Camille to her riding lesson, and join the family celebration of Three Kings Day. 2) Next we go to Lyon, where we visit 10-year-old **Emilien** and his family. Emilien and his two sisters live alternate weeks with their parents, who are divorced. His father is a laboratory technician, and his mother is a professional musician.



### Vocabulary

1. courtyard (n)
2. great grandfather (n)
3. grapes (n)
4. lawyer (n)
5. business (n)
6. advanced technology (n)
7. grape vines (n)
8. prune (v)
9. day care center (n)
10. dough (n)
11. vineyard (n)
12. fossils (n)
13. Three Kings Day
14. Jesus
15. Catholic (n)
16. church (n)
17. divorced (adj)
18. strike (n): when workers refuse to work
19. Euros (n): European money
20. trade (v)
21. organic food (n)

22.chemicals (n)  
23.advertising (n)

24.outdoors (n)  
25.message (n)

### **Part 1: While Watching**

#### **A) Camille**

1. How old is Camille's house?
2. How old is the tree in the courtyard?
3. Where is the tree from?
4. What do they grow and make on her farm?
5. What time do they eat the main meal in France?
6. T or F? Most businesses close between noon and 2 pm because people like to take their time when they eat to relax and talk.
7. T or F? France is a world leader in advanced technology.
8. T or F? France's TGV train is the fastest train in the world.
9. How old are some of the grapevines?
- 10.How many grape vines do they have to prune (cut)?
- 11.How does her father decide when the wine is ready?
- 12.T or F? The government helps to pay for day care centers when both the mother and father work.
- 13.How long does it take to make bread?
- 14.T or F? Camille's land was under the ocean millions of years ago.
- 15.What do she and her dad look for in the vineyard?
- 16.What do they celebrate at the Saturday night dinner?
- 17.What is Camille's religion?
- 18.Where do they go after dinner?

#### **B) Emilien**

1. T or F? France has one of the best public transportation systems in the world.
2. Why does it take Emilien's dad longer to get to work?
3. Emilien's sister's English class has gone to many countries. What is one of their projects to make money to pay for their class trips?





## 3. Television:

- a. Emilien's parents say that they don't want their kids  
"...watching TV instead of getting interested in other things."  
Do you agree that if kids watch a lot of TV they won't become  
interested in other things such as, for example, reading, or...?  
Why or why not?
  
- b. His parents also say "...advertising is bad for us because it tries  
to make us think we need to buy things in order to be happy."  
For example, does advertising make people think they aren't  
beautiful unless they have the latest fashion? Do you agree  
with his parents? Why or why not?

4. Would you like to visit France someday? Why or why not? (**Write  
down 2 or 3 reasons.**)