

## Unité 2

### TOO MUCH HOMEWORK!

- 1 ANTOINE** I hate the poli-sci course.  
**RACHID** Oh? But why? I don't really like the professor, Mr. Dupré, but it's an interesting and useful class!
- ANTOINE** You think? I think it's very difficult, and there is a lot of homework. With Dupré, I work, but I don't get good grades.
- 2 RACHID** If you're optimistic and work, you'll pass the exam.  
**ANTOINE** You, yeah, but not me! You, you're a brilliant student! But me, my studies, oh boy!
- DAVID** Hey! Rachid! Did you forget your roommate?
- 3 RACHID** Not at all, not at all. Antoine, here, let me introduce you to David, my American roommate.  
**DAVID** Hi.  
**ANTOINE** Hi.  
**DAVID** We share one of the *P'tit Bistrot* apartments.  
**ANTOINE** The *P'tit Bistrot*? Nice!
- 4 RACHID** Ah... we have a meeting with Amina and Sandrine. Let's go?

**DAVID** Ah yes, well then, later Antoine!

**ANTOINE** Later, David. See you tomorrow, Rachid!

**5 SANDRINE** Well, Pascal, talk to you later, darling.

**RACHID** Hello, darling. How I love to talk to you on the phone! How I love thinking about you!

**6 SANDRINE** Hello! So, French university is going well?

**DAVID** Great, yeah. It's different from an American university, but it's interesting.

**AMINA** Do you like the classes?

**DAVID** I like the literature and French history classes. Tomorrow we're studying the *Three Musketeers* by Alexandre Dumas.

**7 SANDRINE** I love Dumas. My favorite book is *The Count of Monte Cristo*.

**RACHID** Sandrine! Please! *The Count of Monte Cristo*?

**SANDRINE** Why not? I'm a singer, but I love literature classics.

## Leçon 2A

**DAVID** Give me the backpack, Sandrine.

**8** *At the P'tit Bistrot...*

**RACHID** I like the poli-sci course, but Antoine does not like Dupré. He thinks he gives too much homework.

**9** **STÉPHANE** Dupré? Ha! Mrs. Richard, my French teacher, *she* gives too much homework.

**AMINA** Hello, how's it going?

**STÉPHANE** Rather badly. I don't like Mrs. Richard. I hate math. Chemistry isn't interesting. History-Geography, it's terrible! My studies are a disaster!

**10** **DAVID** French, math, chemistry, history... but don't you study foreign languages in French high school?

**STÉPHANE** Yes, unfortunately! I study English. It's a very unpleasant language! Oh, ha, ha, it's a joke, ha, ha. English, I love English. It's a charming language...

## Leçon 2B

### FINDING A SOLUTION

- 1** *At a table, outside the café...*  
**RACHID** So, we're meeting David tomorrow at quarter to five to go home.  
**SANDRINE** Today's Wednesday. Tomorrow... Thursday. Tuesdays and Thursdays I have voice class from 3:20 to 4:30 p.m. That's perfect!
- 2** **AMINA** No problem. I have fashion design class...  
**AMINA** Hey, Astrid!!  
**ASTRID** Hello.  
**RACHID** Astrid, I would like to introduce you to David, my American roommate.  
**DAVID** Now, this year you have difficult classes, don't you?
- 3** **ASTRID** Yes. Why?  
**DAVID** Well, Stéphane thinks that the courses are very difficult.  
**ASTRID** Yeah, Stéphane goes to class but... he doesn't do his homework or listen to the teachers. This year is very important because we have the *bac*...  
**DAVID** Ah, the *bac*...
- 4** **RACHID** It's a very important exam that French students take in their last year of high school in order to continue with higher education.  
**DAVID** Uh, don't forget, I am from a French family.  
**ASTRID** Yes, and very difficult, but not impossible. Stéphane doesn't find his studies interesting. Sports, yes, but not his studies.
- 5** **RACHID** Sports? You are looking for Stéphane, right? We'll find Stéphane at the park! Let's go, Astrid.
- 6** **ASTRID** OK. See you tomorrow!  
*At the park...*  
**ASTRID** Stéphane! What time is it? Don't you have a watch?  
**STÉPHANE** Oh, Astrid, I'm sorry! On Wednesdays I work on math with Astrid at the café...
- 7** **ASTRID** And on Wednesday afternoons, he forgets! You're not afraid of the *bac*!  
**STÉPHANE** You're wrong, I'm very afraid of the *bac*! But I don't want to spend my days, my nights, and my weekends with books!

**ASTRID** I agree with you, Stéphane! I want to spend weekends with my friends... friends that don't forget appointments!

**8** **RACHID** Listen, Stéphane, you have problems with your mother. With Astrid, too...

**STÉPHANE** Yes, and I have enormous problems in high school. I hate the *bac*.

**RACHID** It's not too late to start working in order to pass the *bac*.

**STÉPHANE** You think so, Rachid?

**9** **RACHID** Yes. But sports are the last of your priorities. Listen, next Sunday, have dinner at my house and we'll find a solution.

**STÉPHANE** Rachid, you don't want to teach a high school student as bad as myself!

**RACHID** Yes I do, I really want to teach math...

**10** **STÉPHANE** Great, I accept. Thanks, Rachid. That's nice.

**RACHID** You're welcome. See you later!