#### https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0-6sM0vo9Tk

## What the Fuck France – Les jours fériés

Hi, you know my name, you know where I'm from and you know where I live. One of the things I've never understood is your public holidays. What the Fuck France!



Ah Jean-Pierre, I was really looking forward to coming into work today to film that episode but it turns out that it's a public holiday, so only half the team are here. "You're in the show, get out ..." But don't get me wrong, I love public holidays because they allow us to live a little bit. But your public holidays are strange.

"But why are they strange, Paul?"

"Ah, ah, I'm glad you fucking asked'

French public holidays are strange for three reasons.

**number one:** lottery, finding out which day the French public holidays fall on, is like finding out if you've got the right numbers to win the lottery. "Et le, premier janvier tombe un samedi" "Ah dur celui-là. Le 8 mai tombe un jeudi."

And I've always wondered why you don't use our system. Cause if we have a public holiday that falls on a week-end, we still get the Monday on. It's a sure bet. But then I realized why, it's because you love the risk factor. There's no bigger rush of adrenaline than finding out a public holiday falls on a Thursday or a Tuesday because then you get to do *le pont*, that's the bridge. Why would you put your money on the safe bet when you can go 'double or nothing'? The downside is that every seven years or so, it's a devastatating year when all public holidays fall on a week-end. And no-one sees it coming. "Watch out, Jean-Pierre! 2022 is the apocalypse!"

**number two:** May. The month of May's a fucking joke. There are so many public holidays that no one gets any work done. It's like the month of August except it sneaks up on you like a fucking ninja. May is the ninja August. "Oh, thank you." It's a place full of happy sunny bridges and a flying Jesus that ascends up to Heaven. Speaking of Jesus ...

**number three:** Jesus and war. With a couple of exceptions, all your public holidays are linked to either Jesus or the end of a war. Here's the complete list starting from January 1st: Hangover, Jesus, Work, War, Jesus, Jesus, Revolution, Jesus, Jesus, War, Jesus.

It's a shame Jesus never started a war cause we'd have the entire year on. I've just had a great idea! "Hey Trump. How has it been going? It's Paul here. Listen, we need a new public holiday. Do you fancy starting a war together? Great news! Hum ... Who with? I don't know just do what you normally do, close your eyes, put a pin on the map and do it that way. But when the war does end, make sure it ends in Februrary, will you? Cheers"

"Cette année, le nouveau jour férié, le 27 février tombe ... un samedi" Oh fuck!

Hey, abonne-toi which means subscribe in French, which is what you should do because this channel is fucking amazing. Oh and also check out the other videos that we have.

### Find English equivalents in the transcript

jours fériés j'ai hâte de la moitié de l'équipe je me demande tomber un pari sûr quitte ou double une fumisterie arriver sournoisement lié à la guerre gueule de bois quel dommage Ca te dirait de ...? une punaise sur une carte Merci (familier) s'abonner à génial

# True, false, we cant' tell? Explain. Develop

Paul can't shoot another episode today because all his team are on holiday

In Paul's opinion, the British public holiday system is much better.

A terrible year is a yeat when there are no long weekend holidays.

In May, the French work more than in any other month.

Paul makes fun of Jesus and of Donald Trump.

At the end, Paul is devastated when he realizes the 27th of February is a Saturday

What is the aim of the video ? / What is Paul Taylor aiming at?

### **TEACHER**

## Find English equivalents in the transcript

jours fériés public holidays

j'ai hâte de I'm looking forward to

la moitié de l'équipe half the team

je me demande I wonder

tomber fall on

un pari sûr a safe bet

quitte ou double double or nothing

une fumisterie a f\*\*ing joke (vulgaire)

arriver sournoisement sneak up on

lié à linked to

la guerre war

gueule de bois hangover

quel dommage it's a shame

Ca te dirait de ...? Do you fancy ...?

une punaise sur une carte a pin on a map

Merci (familier) cheers

s'abonner à subscribe to

génial amazing

# True, false, we cant' tell? Explain. Develop

Paul can't shoot another episode today because all half his team are on holiday F

In Paul's opinion, the British public holiday system is much better.

A terrible year is a year when there are no long weekend holidays.

In May, the French work more less than in any other month.

Paul makes fun <del>of Jesus and (?) of Donald Trump.</del> F

At the end, Paul is devastated when he realizes the 27th of February is a Saturday T oh fuck!

### What is the aim of the video? / What is Paul Taylor aiming at?