

Section Goals

In this section, students will read historical and cultural information about **Nouvelle-Aquitaine** and **Occitanie**

Key Standards

2.2, 3.1, 3.2, 5.1

21st Century Skills

Global Awareness

Students will gain perspectives on the Francophone world to develop respect and openness toward others and to interact appropriately and effectively with citizens of Francophone cultures.

Carte des régions Nouvelle-Aquitaine et Occitanie

- Have students look at the map or use the digital image for this page. Ask volunteers to read aloud the names of cities and geographical features. Model the pronunciation as necessary. Point out the locations of Spain and Andorra.
- Have students identify the locations of the places in the photos.

Le pays en chiffres

- Point out the two coats of arms. The first belongs to Bordeaux, the second to Toulouse. Both cities are the administrative centers for their respective regions.
- Have volunteers read the sections. After each section, ask students questions about the content.
- Ask students if they have heard of the **personnages célèbres**. If not, have them search online for two facts about each person.

Incroyable mais vrai! The original cave at Lascaux was closed to the general public in 1963 to save the paintings from deterioration. A replica of the cave, called Lascaux II, was built nearby for visitors.

Panorama

La Nouvelle-Aquitaine

La région en chiffres



- ▶ **Superficie:** 84.100 km²
- ▶ **Population:** 5.800.000 (environ)
- ▶ **Industrie principale:** agriculture, bois° et industries papetières, aéronautique et spatiale, tourisme
- ▶ **Villes principales:** Bordeaux, Bayonne, Poitiers, La Rochelle, Limoges, Pau

Personnages célèbres

- ▶ **Alléon d'Aquitaine**, reine° de France (1122–1204)
- ▶ **Jacques-Yves Cousteau**, explorateur océanographique et cinéaste (1910–1997)
- ▶ **Barbara Schulz**, actrice (1972–)
- ▶ **Francis Cabrel**, chanteur (1953–)



L'Occitanie

La région en chiffres



- ▶ **Superficie:** 72.724 km²
- ▶ **Population:** 5.724.711
- ▶ **Industries principales:** aéronautique, agriculture, recherches°
- ▶ **Villes principales:** Toulouse, Montpellier, Nîmes, Perpignan

Personnages célèbres

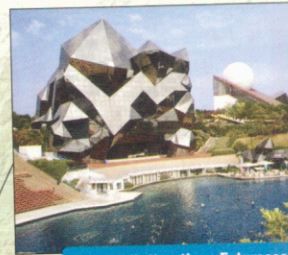
- ▶ **Jean Jaurès**, homme politique (1859–1914)
- ▶ **Henri de Toulouse-Lautrec**, peintre et lithographe (1864–1901)
- ▶ **Georges Brassens**, Languedoc-Roussillon, chanteur (1921–1981)



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le parc d'attractions Futuroscope



la dune du Pyla



la cité de Carcassonne

Incroyable mais vrai!

Appelée parfois «la chapelle Sixtine préhistorique», la grotte° de Lascaux, en Nouvelle-Aquitaine, est décorée de 1.500 gravures° et de 600 peintures°, vieilles de plus de 17.000 ans. En 1940, quatre garçons découvrent° ce sanctuaire. Les fresques, composées de plusieurs animaux, ont jusqu'à ce jour une signification mystérieuse.



EXPANSION

Personnages célèbres Eleanor of Aquitaine was the most powerful woman in Europe during her time. She was first the wife of King Louis VII of France, then she later married Henry II. She was the mother of Richard the Lionheart, often considered the first king of England. **Jacques-Yves Cousteau** popularized scuba diving and sparked interest in the world's oceans through his films and TV specials. **Barbara Schulz** is a well-known film

actress and comedian. **Francis Cabrel** composes and sings blues-rock, pop, and folk music. **Jean Jaurès** helped bring about social reform in France. **Toulouse-Lautrec** established lithography as an art form with his posters depicting Paris nightlife in Montmartre. **Georges Brassens**, a singer-songwriter, used his song lyrics to address social issues.