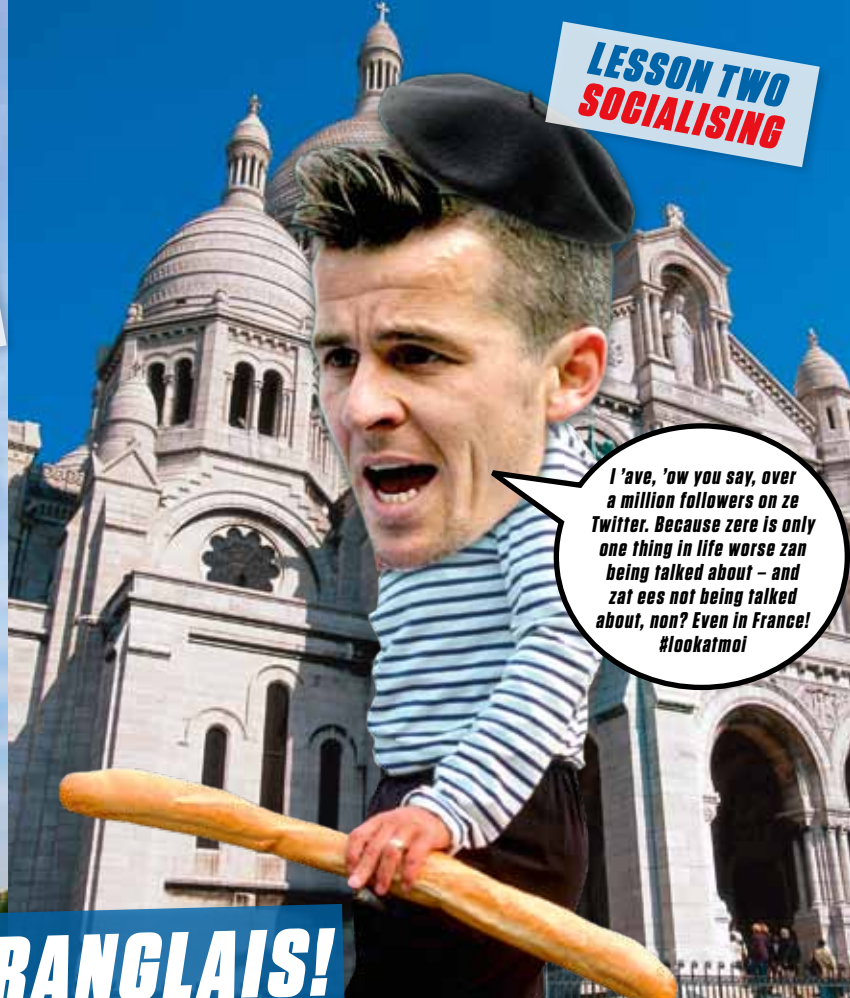


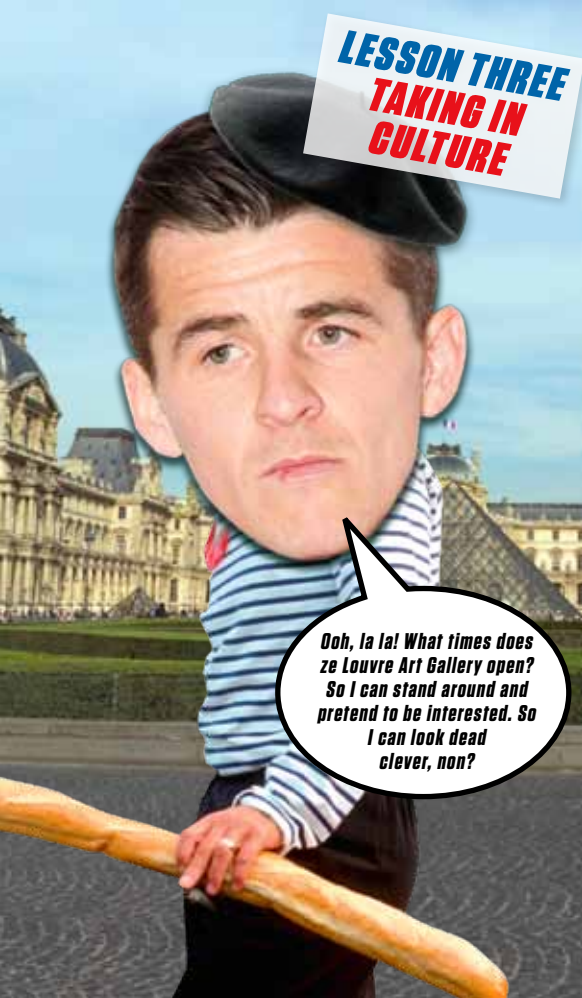
LESSON ONE ASKING DIRECTIONS

Bonjour! I am looking for ze Eiffel Tower, please. A bit like ze philosopher Nietzsche, who said, "When you look into ze abyss, ze abyss also looks into you." Deep, non?



LESSON TWO SOCIALISING

I 'ave, 'ow you say, over a million followers on ze Twitter. Because zere is only one thing in life worse zan being talked about - and zat ees not being talked about, non? Even in France! #lookatmoi



LESSON THREE TAKING IN CULTURE

Ooh, la la! What times does ze Louvre Art Gallery open? So I can stand around and pretend to be interested. So I can look dead clever, non?

FOOTBALLER FRANGLAIS!

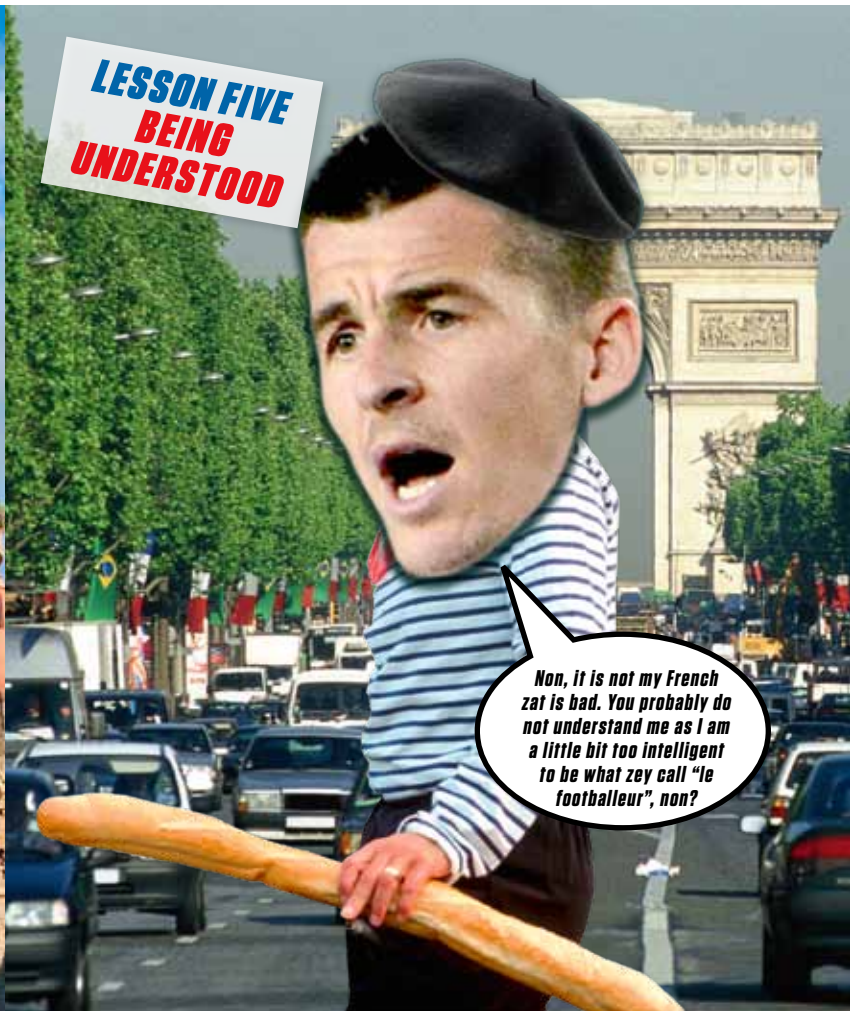
Le Joey Barton guide to speaking French

In a Marseille press conference last week, Joey Barton unveiled his bizarre new accent. Now you can learn Joey-French, too



LESSON FOUR BUYING TICKETS

Ah, Mickey Mouse - ze symbol of Western capitalist culture. But Le Smiths said, "Zere are brighter sides to life and I should know because I've seen zam." So, er, two tickets to Disneyland Paris... merci



LESSON FIVE BEING UNDERSTOOD

Non, it is not my French zat is bad. You probably do not understand me as I am a little bit too intelligent to be what zey call "le footballeur", non?

What the expert says

Jo Hemmings, a celebrity and behavioural psychologist, gives her verdict on Barton's new-found tones

"Many Brits, especially those who don't feel totally comfortable in their surroundings, do something called 'speech accommodation' - a subconscious gesture of adapting their speech, in terms of accent, tone and mannerisms - to the country they are in or to the native speakers whom they are with.

"The problem here is the fine line between adapting to make people feel more at ease and sounding utterly ridiculous, or even causing offence.

"I suspect Joey has been doing this a fair bit while in France, perhaps to compensate for his strong Scouse accent. He feels he's making himself understood better, but a public press conference was probably not the best time to practice it!"

Hear Joey's accent at zootoday.com

Lee Nelson's

WELL GOOD XMAS PARTY!

We know how to throw a festive bash. It's simple: we just get our favourite stand-up to do it

Most of the parties you go to at this time of year are basically a gathering of warm booze and stale mince pies - not what we would call a banging night out. So, when Lee Nelson offered to host a Christmas party in the front room of one lucky ZOO reader, we knew it would be something that we could call a proper ZOO session.

And when we let him and his mate, fat legend Omelette, loose at the home of our competition winner - David Fuentes, 24, from Ware in Hertfordshire - he didn't disappoint. With David's whole family there (including his mum and dad), Jess Kingham and Jodie Gasson providing the eye-candy, drinking games and a constant stream of gags from Lee, we just wish every Christmas party was like this...



OH REIN-DEAR!



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