

# PARLEZ-VOUS FRANÇAIS? DO YOU SPEAK FRENCH?

Although ballet actually began in Italy, it became popular in France when the first ever ballet company, Paris Opéra Ballet, was established by Louis XIV in the 17<sup>th</sup> century.

French is still considered the language of ballet.

Draw a line linking these French ballet steps with their meaning:



**Plié** ●

● to glide



**Pas de chat** ●

● to rise



**Glissade** ●

● to bend



**Pas de deux** ●

● step of the cat

**Fondu** ●

● to jump



**Relevé** ●

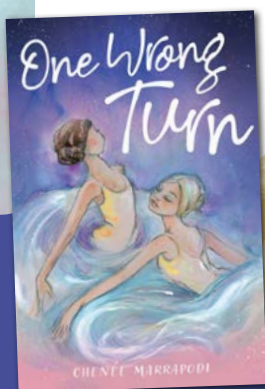
● A dance for two people

**Sauté** ●

● to melt



Answer key: Plié – to bend, pas de chat – step of the cat, glissade – to glide, pas de deux – a dance for two people, fondu – to melt, relevé – to rise, sauté – to jump



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