

Hunt the false friends

Name _____

- 1 WRITE IT FIVE WAYS:** The English word is given. Write each word in the other four languages, copying carefully from the board.

ENGLISH	IRISH	FRENCH	GERMAN	SPANISH
Happy				
Sad				
Nervous				

- 2 FIND WHAT THEY SHARE:** Look along each line. Two of the words are closer to each other than the rest. Write which two, and the letters they have in common.

Happy (English) · **Sona** (Irish) · **content** (French) · **glücklich** (German) · **feliz** (Spanish)

The two that look closest: _____ and _____

Letters they share: _____

Sad (English) · **Brónach** (Irish) · **triste** (French) · **traurig** (German) · **triste** (Spanish)

The two that look closest: _____ and _____

Letters they share: _____

Nervous (English) · **Neirbhíseach** (Irish) · **nervoux** (French) · **nervös** (German) · **nervioso** (Spanish)

The two that look closest: _____ and _____

Letters they share: _____

- 3 WHAT YOU CAN DO NOW:** Tick the ones that feel true. Write one more of your own on the last line.

☐ Spot a false friend when a word looks familiar but might mean something else

☐ Tell a true cousin-word from a tricky lookalike

☐ Use the habit: guess first, then check before you trust it

☐ _____