

EASY FRENCH CONJUGATIONS

Présent:

meaning: _____ing

stem: drop ER, IR, RE

endings: ER

e ons

es ez

e ent

e.g. Je parle = I talk

= I am talking

IR

is issons

is issez

it issent

RE

s ons

s ez

- ent

Imparfait:

meaning: was _____ing, used to _____

stem: drop -ons from present tense nous form

endings: ais ions

ais iez

ait aient

e.g. Je parlais = I was talking

= I used to talk

N.B. learn your present tense verbs

★exception,
the stem for être is "êt-"

Futur:

meaning: will _____

stem: infinitive (always ends w/ an "r") e.g. Je parlerai =

endings: ai ons

as ez

a ont

I will talk

N.B. endings are very similar to the conjugation of avoir

Conditionnel:

meaning: would _____

stem: infinitive (always ends w/ an "r") eg. Je parlerais =

endings: ais ions

ais iez

ait aient

I would talk

N.B. endings are the same as the imparfait endings

Le Subjonctif Présent:

meaning: wants me to _____

stem: drop the -ent from the present tense ils/elles form

endings: ER / RE

IR

e ions

isse

issons

es iez

isses

issiez

e ent

isse

issent

e.g. Il veut que je parle =
He wants me to talk

N.B. add iss to the ER endings to form the IR endings

COMPOUND TENSES (2 words)

Passé Composé: e.g. J'ai parlé = I talked

meaning: _____ed

formation: conjugate avoir or être in the present tense + past participle + agreement (être only & preceding direct objects)

avoir	-or-	être			
ai	avons	suis	sommes		ER = é
as	avez	es	êtes	} +	IR = i
a	ont	est	sont		RE = u

helping verb (in diff. tenses) past participle

Plus-Que-Parfait:

meaning: had _____ed e.g. J'avais parlé = I had talked

formation: conjugate avoir or être in the imperfect tense + past participle + agreement (être only & preceding direct objects)

avoir	-or-	être			
avais	avions	étais	étions		ER = é
avais	aviez	étais	étiez	} +	IR = i
avait	avaient	était	étaient		RE = u

Futur Antérieur:

e.g. J'aurai parlé = I will have talked
meaning: will have _____ed

formation: conjugate avoir or être in the future tense + past participle + agreement (être only & preceding direct objects)

avoir	-or-	être			
aurai	aurons	serai	serons		ER = é
auras	aurez	seras	serrez	} +	IR = i
aura	auront	sera	seront		RE = u

Conditionnel Passé:

e.g. J'aurais parlé = I would have talked
meaning: would have _____ed

formation: conjugate avoir or être in the conditional tense + past participle + agreement (être only & preceding direct objects)

avoir	-or-	être			
aurais	aurions	serais	serions		ER = é
aurais	auriez	serais	seriez	} +	IR = i
aurait	auraient	serait	seraient		RE = u