

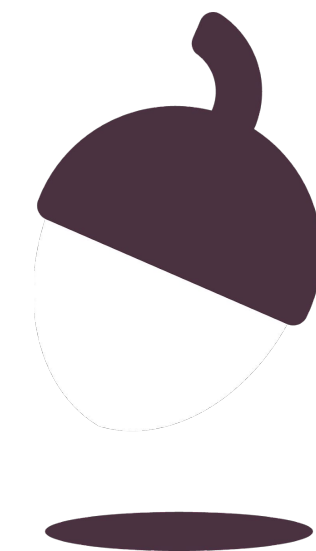
French

Talking about what you do to earn money (Part 1/2)

- Recognising and forming the present tense
- The possessive *de*

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[on]

au fond
[at the back]

monde



le petit boulot	casual job
aider à la maison	to help/helping at home
passer l'aspirateur	to vacuum/vacuuming
faire la vaisselle	to do/doing the washing up
laver la voiture	to wash/washing the car
tondre la pelouse	to mow/mowing the lawn
promener le chien	to walk/walking the dog
remplir les rayons	to stack/stacking shelves
faire du babysitting	to babysit/babysitting
livrer des journaux	to deliver/delivering newspapers



Remember:
infinitives
can be
translated
as 'to..' as
well as the
gerund
'...ing'.



Recognising and forming the present tense

gagner = to earn/earning

Je gagne de l'argent.



I earn money.

recevoir = to receive/receiving

Je reçois de l'argent.



I receive money.



Recognising and forming the present tense

gagner = **to** earn/earning



Je gagne de l'argent = **I** earn money.



To form the '**je**' form of the **present tense** for **regular -er verbs**, **remove '-er'** and **add 'e'**.



Forming the present tense - regular verbs

Subject pronoun	For ‘-er’ verbs (<i>gagner</i>), remove -er and add the endings	For ‘-ir’ verbs (<i>remplir</i>), remove -ir and add the endings	For ‘-re’ verbs (<i>tondre</i>), remove -re and add the endings
je	- e	- is	- s
tu	- es	- is	- s
il/elle/on	- e	- it	-
nous	- ons	- issons	- ons
vous	- ez	- issez	- ez
ils/elles	- ent	- issent	- ent



The possessive *de*

Je lave **la voiture de mon père**.



I wash **my father's car**.



The literal translation of *la voiture de mon père* is 'the car of my father'. To talk about people's possessions, use **the word for the possession** (in this case, the car), **followed by the preposition *de***, followed by **the person to whom it belongs** (in this sentence, my father).



Talking about what you do to earn money

1. I earn =

Je gagne

2. I receive =

Je reçois

3. The verb ending for the 'je' form of -er verbs in the present tense =

e

4. I wash my dad's car =

Je lave la voiture de
mon père

5. I mow my grandfather's lawn =

Je tonds la pelouse de
mon grand-père

