Talking about role models [1/2]
- Using the present and perfect tenses together

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qui ?

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le modèle	role model
le responsable	head/person in charge
lutter pour	to fight for
le droit de	the right to
sauver la vie de	to save the life of
travailler dur	to work hard
devenir	to become
être comme lui/elle	to be like him/her
suivre l'exemple de	to follow the example of

The perfect tense

J'**ai travaillé** au collège
I **(have) worked** at school

The perfect tense refers to one completed action in the past.

The present tense

Je jou**e** au foot
I **play**/I **am playing** football

The **present tense** refers to what we do or are doing right now.
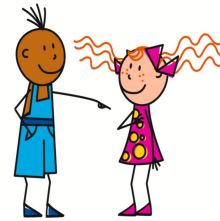
The perfect tense

The perfect tense in French is how we say 'I have ___'. It is made up of a **subject pronoun, an auxiliary verb,** and a **past participle**.
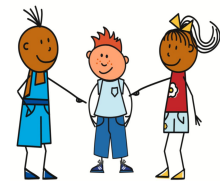
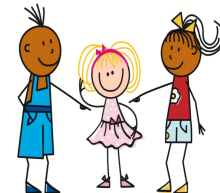**J'ai travaillé** au collège — **I (have) worked** at school

Tu as travaillé au collège — **You (have) worked** at school
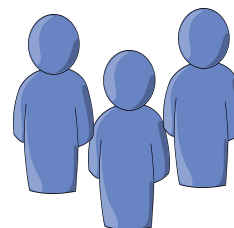
Il a travaillé au collège — **He (has) worked** at school

Elle a travaillé au collège — **She (has) worked** at school

On a travaillé au collège — **We (have) worked** at school

The present tense

The present tense is how we talk about what we do, or are doing, now. To form the present tense of an -er verb, remove the -er and add the **present tense ending**.
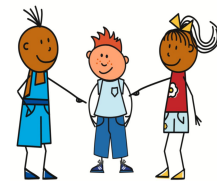
Je travaill**e** au collège

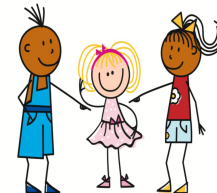I work/am working at school

Tu travaill**es** au collège

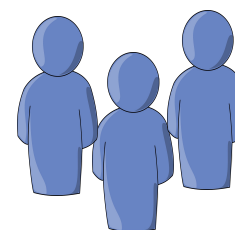You work/are working at school

Il travaill**e** au collège

He works/is working at school

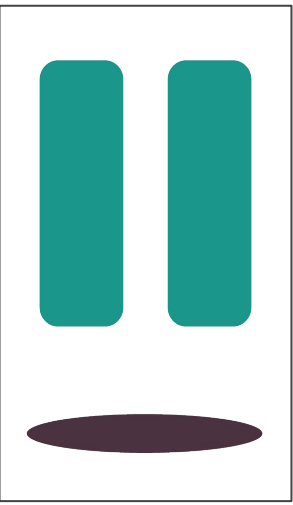Elle travaill**e** au collège

She works/is working at school

On travaill**e** au collège

We work/are working at school

Talking about role models

1. Which tense refers to a completed action in the past?

2. Which tense refers to an action which is currently being performed?

3. How would you say 'I work'?

4. How would you say 'I have worked'?

5. How would you say 'She has worked'?

The perfect tense

The present tense

Je travaille

J'ai travaillé

Elle a travaillé