

French

Talk about what people do in general [2/2]

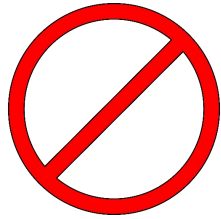
- **The pronoun '*on*'**
- **Questions using '*qu'est-ce que*'**

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[on]



n**on**





[on]

onze



monde



au fond
[at the back]



l'événement	event
janvier	January
février	February
mars	March
avril	April
mai	May
juin	June
trente	thirty
vingt	twenty
célébrer	to celebrate



In French, the subject pronoun **on** is used to talk about what **people in general** do. We can translate it as '**people**', '**you**' or '**one**'.

Tu = You



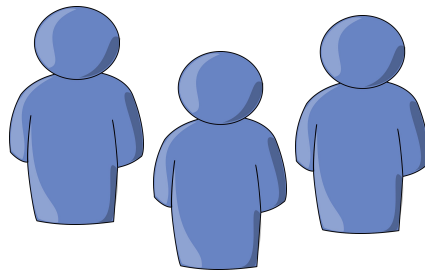
To refer to one **specific** person

Vous = You



To refer to a group of **specific** people

On = You, we



To refer to people in **general**



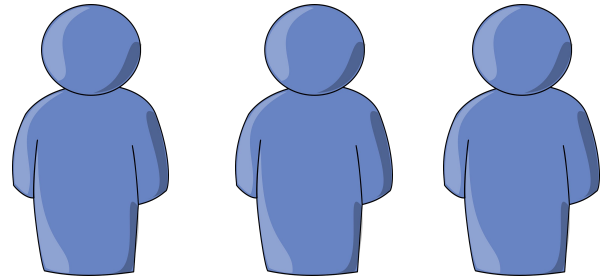
Let's remember the 'on' form of a few well-known verbs from Part 1 of this lesson....



jou**er** = To play



On jou**e** = You (general)
play



The third person
(**pronoun** + **ending**)



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Infinitive	'On' form	English
aller	On _ _	You g...
faire	On _ _ i _	You d....
vouloir	On _ _ u _	You w.....
pouvoir	On _ _ _ _	You c....
devoir	On _ _ _ _	You m.....
savoir	On _a_ _	You k.....



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Infinitive	'On' form	English
aller	On va	You go
faire	On fait	You do
vouloir	On veut	You want
pouvoir	On peut	You can
devoir	On doit	You must
savoir	On sait	You know



Statement

Elle est malade

She is ill.



**Question
(intonation)**

Elle est malade ?

She is ill?



Please see
lesson called
'distinguishing
between
having and
being 2/2'

**Question
(inversion)**

Est-elle malade ?

Is she ill?

**Question
(est-ce que)**

**Est-ce qu'elle est
malade ?**

Is she ill?



Que? = What?

**Question
(Inversion)**

Que fais-tu?

What are you doing?

**Question
(est-ce que)**

Qu'est-ce que tu fais?

Que

est-ce que

pronoun

verb

= qu'est-ce que



Que

est-ce que

pronoun

verb



Qu'

est-ce que

tu

aimes?

What do you like?

Qu'

est-ce qu'

il

mange?

What does he eat?



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Translate the sentences:

1. Qu'est-ce qu'on fait? =

What do you (general) do? What are you (general) doing?

2. What is she playing? =

Qu'est-ce qu'elle joue?

3. What do you (specific) want? =

Qu'est-ce que tu veux?

