

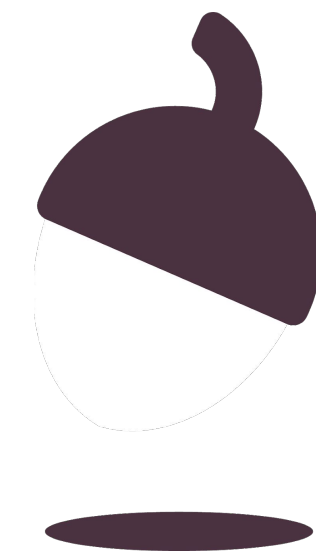
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Talking about school trips (Part 1/3)

- Using the perfect tense with *avoir*

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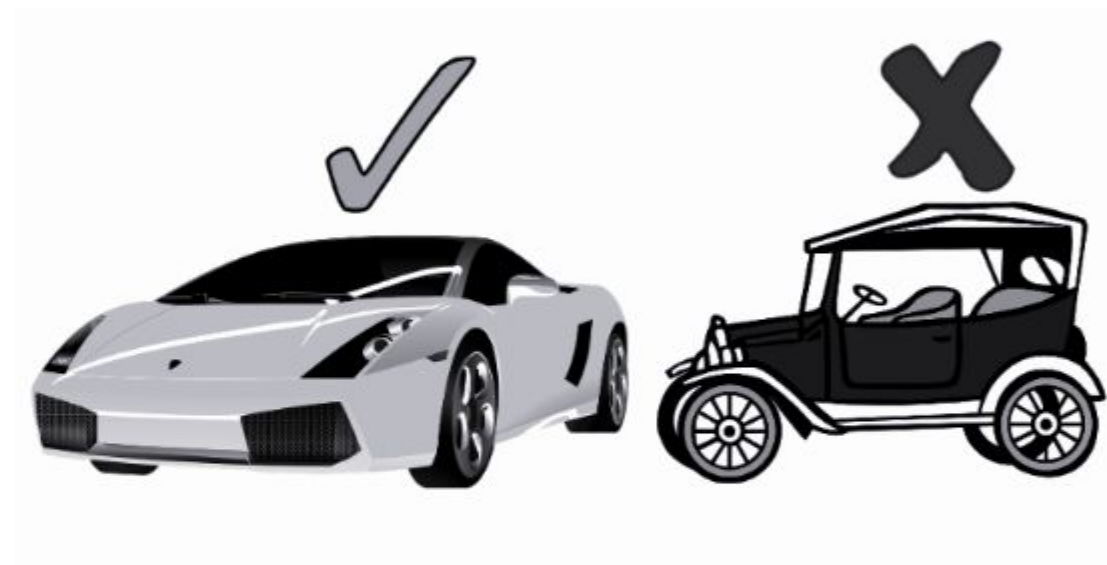


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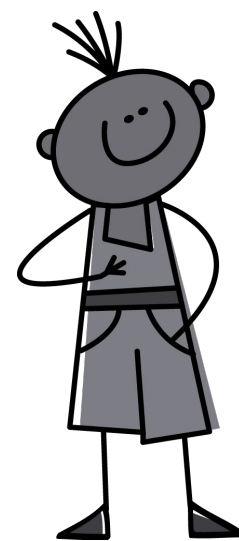


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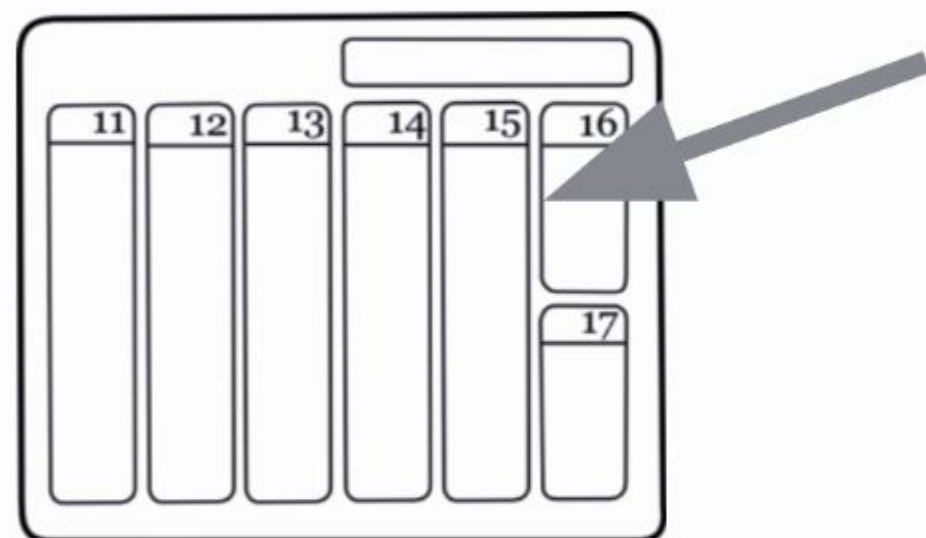
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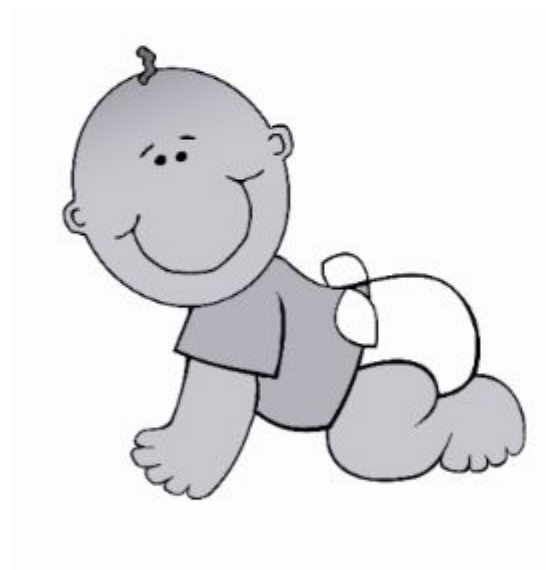
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participer à	to take part in
organiser	to organise
une sortie scolaire	a school trip
voyager	to travel
apprendre	to learn
découvrir	to discover
rencontrer de nouveaux amis	to meet new friends
améliorer ses compétences en langues	to improve your language skills
s'amuser	to enjoy yourself
une(e) correspondant(e)	exchange partner



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

Participer à
= **to** take part in and **taking** part in



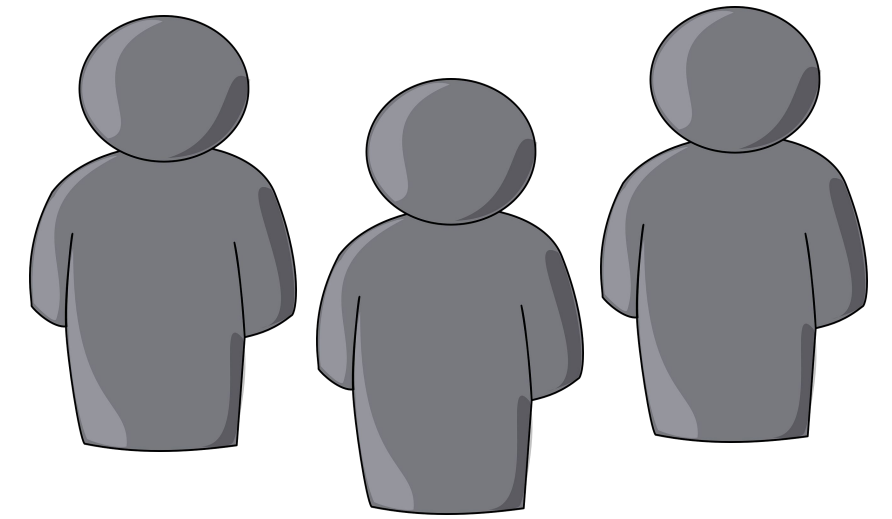
On - You, we

On = You

To refer to people in **general**

You must wear school uniform

On doit porter l'uniforme scolaire



On = We

We took part in a school trip

On a participé à une sortie scolaire



The perfect tense



1. The Subject Pronoun

2. The Auxiliary Verb (Avoir - Present Tense)

3. Past Participle

J' = I	ai = have	visit ER - visit É
		fin IR - fin I
		vend RE - vend U
On = We	a = have	Irregular Past Participles



Irregular past participles

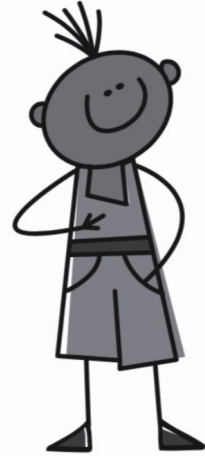
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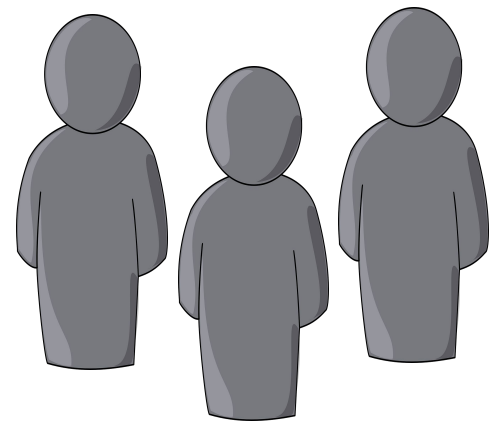
découvrir = découvert



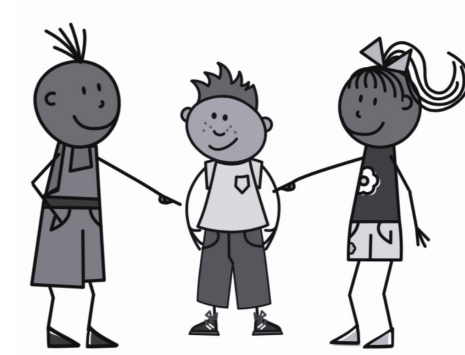
Changing the subject of the sentence



J'ai participé
à une sortie scolaire



On a voyagé en car



Il a rencontré
beaucoup d'amis
He met lots of friends

Mon prof a organisé
une sortie scolaire.
My teacher organised a school trip.

When **Il / Elle / On** or the name of a person is the subject of the sentence, the verb is conjugated in the same way. In the **perfect tense** the **auxiliary verb** is 'a'.



The perfect tense

Subject of the Sentence

The Auxiliary Verb
(Avoir - Present Tense)

Past Participle

Je - I	ai	mang ER - mang É
Tu - You	as	fin IR - fin I
Il / Elle / On - He / She / One	a	vend RE - vend U
Nous - We	avons	Irregular Past Participles
Vous - You	avez	
Ils / Elles - They	ont	



Irregular Past Participles

Infinitive	Meaning	Past Participle
faire	to do	fait
voir	to see	vu
boire	to drink	bu
lire	to read	lu
dire	to say	dit
prendre	to take	pris
apprendre	to learn	appris
découvrir	to discover	découvert



Describing school trips

1. I took part in a school trip.

**J'ai participé à une
sortie scolaire.**

2. We visited a museum.

On a visité un musée.

3. My teacher organised the school trip.

**Mon prof a organisé la
sortie scolaire.**

**4. To form the perfect tense with 'I', the
sentence starts with**

J'ai

**5. To form the perfect tense with 'We', the
sentence starts with**

On a

