

Talking about the school day [1 / 3]

- present tense “er” and “ir” verbs in third person: singular and plural

French

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Écoute et compare:

Je jou**e**

Tu jou**es**

Il jou**e**

Elle jou**e**

Ils jou**ent**

Elles jou**ent**



finir	to finish
étudier	to study
porter	to wear
commencer	to start
durer	to last
redoubler	to retake
le cours	lesson
la récré	breaktime
l'élève	pupil
les grandes vacances	summer holidays



The infinitive
can also be
translated by
the gerund.

Finir = to do
finish **AND**
finishing



Present Tense - Regular -er verbs



To form the present tense with a regular ER verb, remove the ER from the infinitive and add the correct ending.

Étudier - To study



J'étudie - I study



Tu étudies - You study



Il/Elle étudie - He/she studies



Nous étudions - We study



Vous étudiez - You (pl) study



Ils/Elles étudient - They study

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Present Tense - Regular -ir verbs



To form the present tense with a regular IR verb, remove the IR from the infinitive and add the correct ending.

fin**ir** - To finish



Je fin**is** - I finish



Tu fin**is** - You finish



Il/Elle fin**it** - He/she finishes



Nous fin**issons** - We finish



Vous fin**issez** - You (pl) finish



Ils/Elles fin**issent** - They finish



Descriptions of French school

1. The verb “redoubler” means =	to retake
2. The third person singular ending of an “er” verb =	-e
3. The third person singular ending of an “ir” verb =	-it
4. The third person plural ending of an “er” verb =	-ent
5. The third person plural ending of an “ir” verb =	-issent

