

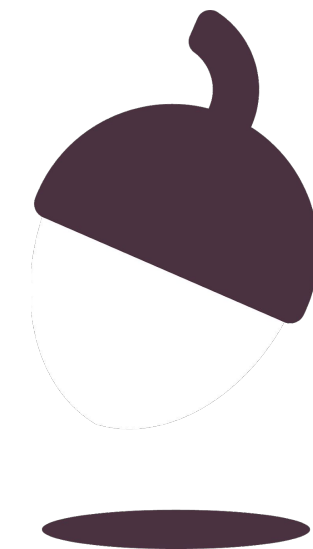
**French**

# Talking about extra-curricular activities (Part 2/2)

- Using the present and imperfect tenses together
- Revisiting negatives

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**[ e ]**

**je**

**[ ai ]**

**j'ai**



avoir du temps libre	to have free time
avoir beaucoup d'amis	to have lots of friends
avoir trop de devoirs	to have too much homework
★ faire partie d'un club <b>de musique</b>	to be part of a <b>music</b> club
chanter dans une chorale	to sing in a choir
★ être délégué(e) de classe	to be the class representative
être membre de l'équipe de <b>netball</b>	to be a member of the <b>netball</b> team
jouer à cache-cache	to play hide and seek
jouer dans l'orchestre	to play in the orchestra
participer au spectacle de l'école	to take part in the school show



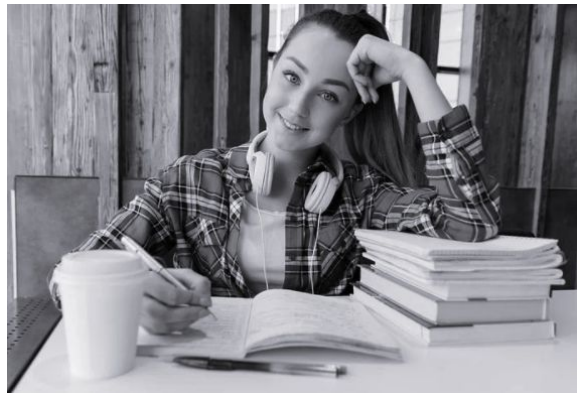
The infinitive can also be translated by the gerund.

Jouer à  
cache-cache  
- to play hide  
and seek  
AND **playing**  
hide and  
seek.



# Using the present tense

**J'ai** trop de devoirs



I have too much  
homework

**Je suis** membre de  
l'équipe de basket



I am a member of the  
basketball team

**Je fais** partie  
d'un club d'échecs



I'm part of a  
chess club



# Using the imperfect tense to say what I used to do



**J'avais** trop de devoirs

*I used to have too much homework*



**J'étais** membre de l'équipe de basket

*I used to be a member of the basketball team*



**Je faisais** partie d'un club d'échecs

*I used to be part of a chess club*

**Je chantais** dans une chorale

*I used to sing in a choir*



# Improving listening skills

1. Don't rely on the time indicator to tell you when the action happens.

Listen for **[ai]** to indicate the imperfect tense.

## **Je chantais**

dans une chorale

*I used to sing  
in a choir*



2. Beware of exceptions.

Je **fais** = I do

Je fais**ais** = I used to do

J'**ai** = I have

J'av**ais** = I had / I used to have



# Using negatives

Place **ne** or **n'** before a verb and **pas** after a verb **to make a sentence negative.**

The word **pas** can be replaced by **jamais, plus** or **rien** to alter the meaning of the sentence.

**Ne** and **jamais** -  
**never**

**Ne** and **plus** -  
**no longer /  
anymore**

**Ne** and **rien** -  
**anything**



# Extra-curricular activities. Part 2

**1. I used to be in a chess club**

**Je faisais partie d'un club d'échecs**

**2. I used to be a member of the football team**

**J'étais membre de l'équipe de foot.**

**3. I no longer sing in a choir**

**Je ne chante plus dans une chorale**

**4. I do not do anything**

**Je ne fais rien**

**5. because I have too much homework**

**car j'ai trop de devoirs**

