

French

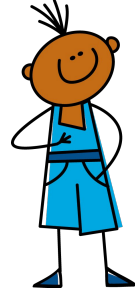
Ask questions - [2 / 2]

- **Verbs *comprendre, apprendre, prendre & dire***
- **Inversion questions**

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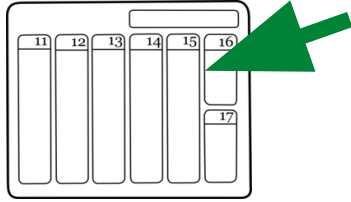
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je



samedi



devoir

[to have to]

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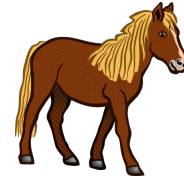


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cela

[that]

cheval



samedi

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devoir

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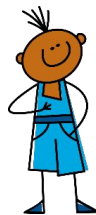




l'erreur	error
facile	easy
la vérité	truth
comprendre	to understand
apprendre	to learn
prendre	to take
dire	to say
l'avion	plane
la voiture	car



Revisiting verbs: comprendre, prendre & apprendre



je prends

I take / I am taking

j'apprends

I learn/ I am learning

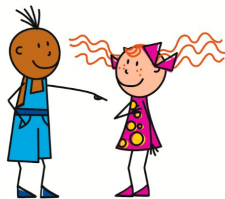
je comprends

I understand/ I am understanding

Je prends l'avion



Revisiting verbs: comprendre, prendre & apprendre



tu prends

you take / you are taking

tu apprends

you learn/ you are learning

tu comprends

you understand/ you are understanding

Tu comprends l'erreur



Revisiting verbs: comprendre, prendre & apprendre



il/elle prend

he/she takes
he/she is taking

il/elle apprend

he/she learns
he/she is learning

il/elle comprend

he/she understands
he/she is understanding

Il prend la voiture





Asking questions in French



We have already seen that we can ask questions in French by changing our **intonation**.

We can also ask questions by changing the **word order and adding a hyphen '-'**

This is called **inversion**

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Elle comprend la question

She understands the question.

Comprend-elle la question ?

Does she understand the question?



Subject-verb inversion with il and elle:

Pronunciation



Listen carefully to how I say these sentences - what do you notice?

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Silent **'t'**
(SFC)

Dit-il la vérité ? *Is he telling the truth?*

Pronounce
the **'t'**

In questions with **'il'/'elle'**,
we pronounce the last letter
of the verb as **'t'**.



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Prend-elle le train ? *Does she take the train?*

Comprend-il l'anglais ? *Does he understand English?*

Apprend-elle l'histoire? *Does she learn History?*

The **sound** is always **'t'**, even if the verb ends with the letter 'd.'





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Asking questions [1/2]

How would you ask these questions:

1. Comprend-il la question ?
2. Apprends-tu l'histoire ?
3. Dit-il la vérité ?
4. Prend-elle l'avion ?

