

payer

to pay/for

present tense

Some French verbs change their spelling as you conjugate them, especially in the *nous* and *vous* forms. This is one of them.

pronoun	conjugation	English
je	paie	I pay
tu	paies	you pay
elle	paie	she pays
il	paie	he/it pays
on	paie	we pay
nous	payons	we pay
vous	payez	you pay
ils	paient	they pay
elles	paient	they pay

In context

I'm paying for the hotel room.

→ Je paie la chambre.

We pay by credit card.

→ Nous payons par carte.

→ On paie par carte. [*more colloquial French*]

Note: in this example, the spelling change involves a letter. Sometimes, the spelling change involves an accent (préférer), or a double consonant (s'appeler).

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