

# SPELLING CHANGES – PRÉSENT

Some French verbs change their spelling as you conjugate them, especially in the *nous* and *vous* forms. We will take ESPÉRER as an example here.

espérer – to hope

pronoun	conjugation	English
je	espère	I hope
tu	espères	you hope
elle	espère	she hopes
il	espère	he/it hopes
on	espère	we hope
nous	espérons	we hope
vous	espérez	you hope
ils	espèrent	they hope
elles	espèrent	they hope

Examples:

I hope to go to Paris.

→ J'espère aller à Paris.

We hope so.

→ Nous l'espérons.

→ On l'espère.

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

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Remember?

je = I

tu = you singular and/or informal

elle = she

il = he

on = we spoken

nous = we more formal

vous = you plural and/or formal

ils = they masculine

elles = they feminine

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