

-IR VERBS – PRÉSENT

Although you might not believe me because of the many exceptions you will encounter in your learning journey, French verbs follow a pattern. This worksheet is about verbs that end in -ir in their infinitive form.

We will take FINIR as an example here. First, separate the root from the ending. The ending is *ir*, so what's left – *fin* – is the root.

finish – to finish, to end

pronoun	root	ending	English
je	fin	is	I finish
tu	fin	is	you finish
elle	fin	it	she finishes
il	fin	it	he/it finishes
on	fin	it	we finishes
nous	fin	issons	we finish
vous	fin	issez	you finish
ils	fin	issent	they finish
elles	fin	issent	they finish

Examples:

I finish my lunch.

→ Je finis mon déjeuner.

We finish our lunch.

→ Nous finissons notre déjeuner.

→ On finit notre déjeuner. [spoken French]

Note: this rule applies to most -ir verbs

Make sure you listen to the audio on the website.

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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