**Passé Composé**

**Regular Verbs**

The perfect tense in French is used to talk about **completed** actions that have happened in the **past.**

***Hier j’ai visité mes grandparents*** Yesterday I visited with my grandparents

***J’ai fini mes devoirs*** I finished my homework

**How to form the passé composé:**

You need two things to form the passé composé; the part of the verb *avoir* and the main verb in the past tense.

**Avoir**

j’ai

tu as

il / elle a

nous avons

vous avez

ils /elles ont

1. look at the last two letters of the infinitive and decide whether it’s an **er**, **-ir** or **-re**. verb.
2. then remove the **-er**, **-ir** or **-re** to find the stem.
3. then add the following endings:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| vIsiter | finir | attendre |
| visité | fin**i** | attend**u** |

So, if we wanted to say ***he danced***. We would need to take the following steps.

1. Choose the correct form of *avoir - il a*
2. Find the infinitive – **danser**.
3. Look at the last two letters and decide whether it’s an **er**, **-ir** or **-re** verb. – dans**er**
4. Remove the last two letters to find the stem – **dans..**
5. Add on the correct ending –dans**é**

If you’re confident you can now move on to complete the activities. If you need more help, have a look at these YouTube videos and make some notes!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N1lJni8TvlI>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ac5ATfmlj_Y>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5p_TyfS0PzI>

**Task 1**

**Match the French infinitives to their English translations.**

1. regarder a. to speak

2. finir b. to send

3. vendre c. to visit

4. manger d. to look for

5. danser e. to eat

6. chercher f. to sell

7. visiter g. to finish

8. parler h. to dance

9. admirer i. to admire

10. envoyer j. to watch

**Task 2**

**Use the table below to add the correct ending to these verbs**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| vIsiter | finir | attendre |
| visité | fin**i** | attend**u** |

1. regarder \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. finir \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3. vendre \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4. manger \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

5. danser \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

6. chercher \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

7. visiter \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

8. parler \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

9. admirer \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

10. envoyer \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Task 3**

**Put the following verbs into the passé composé. Remember the steps; choose the correct part of avoir, and add the correct ending to the main verb**

1. they visited (visiter) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. she spoke (parler) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3. you sg ate (manger) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4. he sent (envoyer) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

5. I admired (admirer) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

6. she sold (vendre) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

7. he watched (regarder) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

8. they spoke (parler) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

9. we danced (danser) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

10. they finished(finir) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Task 4**

Complete the quizlet to help you remember these verbs

<https://quizlet.com/_8ajcdn?x=1qqt&i=2r4n13>

**Task 5**

When discussing what ***you did*** you will often need to use time markers to say when it happened. Match the French to their English translations.

1. hier a. after

2. hier soir b. last month

3. l'année dernière c. last night

4. le mois dernier d. yesterday

5. il y a \_\_\_\_ ans e. last weekend

6. avant f. \_\_\_ years ago

7. après g. last year

8. plus tard h. later

9. le weekend dernier i. before

**Task 6**

**Unjumble the sentences and then translate into English. Remember the time phrase comes at the beginning of the sentence.**

1. dernier j’ai célébré le weekend mon anniversaire

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2. plage la plus tard j’ai visité

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3. regardé j’ai hier la avec ma télévision soeur

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4. Londres dernier parents le mois mes ont visité

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5. envoyé portable des messages hier j’ai mon sur

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6. mangé amis j’ai un restaurant dans avec mes hier soir

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7. mon père hier mangé a des céréales

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8. hier soir ami nous mangé avons moi pizza mon et une

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**Task 7**

**Complete the text by filling in the box with the correct form of the passé composé**

L’année dernière, j’ \_\_\_\_\_\_(visiter) Paris avec ma famille. Nous \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (manger) des crêpes et c’était délicieux! Mon frère \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (envoyer) des cartes postales mais moi, j \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ des textos sur mon portable car c’est pratique. Nous \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (visiter)la Tour Eiffel et l’Arc de Triomphe. Aussi, nous \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (admirer) les magasins au Champs-Elysées. Plus tard, nous \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (regarder) la télé à l'hôtel. Le lendemain, nous \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (manger) dans un restaurant français et mon père \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (manger) des escargots!!! Le soir, nous \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (danser). C’était super - j’adore Paris!

**Task 8**

**Translate the text into English**

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**Task 9**

**Write a similar paragraph in French, describing something you did recently, using the verbs above. Aim to write at least 50 to the following questions in French using the passé composé.**

**Include the following**

* all 10 verbs from this worksheet
* what other people did
* time markers
* a variety of connectives and opinions

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