

# Lesson 60

## Notes

### Qu'est-ce que tu as fait aujourd'hui?

#### Review of perfect tense

##### Programme Notes

Welcome to Coffee Break French, the podcast aimed at independent learners of French. Our regular podcasts will introduce you to the French language in easy steps.

Lesson 60 marks the end of Level 2A (Lessons 41-60) but of course there are another 20 lessons to come in Level 2B!

At the start of Lesson 60, Marks asks Anna if she has done her homework:

<b>Mark</b>	<b>Anna, est-ce que tu as fait tes devoirs?</b>	Anna, have you done your homework?
<b>Anna</b>	<b>Oui Mark, j'ai fait mes devoirs.</b>	Yes Mark, I have done my homework.

Last week Mark asked Anna to come up with a diary entry about what she has done in the course of a day. Her diary entry is shown below:

<b>ce matin je me suis réveillée à sept heures</b>	this morning I woke up at seven o'clock
<b>j'ai pris une douche</b>	I had a shower
<b>je me suis habillée</b>	I got dressed
<b>je suis partie de la maison à huit heures et demie</b>	I left the house at half past eight
<b>je suis arrivée à l'université à neuf heures</b>	I arrived at university at nine o'clock
<b>j'ai parlé avec mes amis</b>	I spoke with my friends
<b>nous avons bu un café</b>	we drank / had a coffee
<b>j'ai étudié l'allemand dans la bibliothèque</b>	I studied (some) German in the library
<b>à midi j'ai mangé un sandwich dans le parc avec ma copine</b>	at midday I ate a sandwich in the park with my friend
<b>cet après-midi j'ai joué au badminton et j'ai vu une autre copine</b>	this afternoon I played badminton and I saw another friend
<b>nous avons parlé en français</b>	we spoke (in) French

<b>je suis rentrée à dix-huit heures</b>	I went home at six o'clock
<b>après le dîner j'ai écouté de la musique</b>	after dinner I listened to some music
<b>je suis tombée amoureuse d'une chanson</b>	I fell in love with a song
<b>ce soir je suis allée au cinéma</b>	this evening I went to the cinema

Note that with the *être* verbs used, the past participles have an extra *-e* added since Anna is female.

Another way to say "I had a shower" would be *je me suis douché(e)*.

Another way to say "I left the house" would be *j'ai quitté la maison*. Note that *quitter* is not followed by *de* but *partir* has to be followed by *de* when we are talking about leaving somewhere.

At one point Anna said *il a fait du soleil*, meaning "it was sunny" but we would actually use another tense to describe weather in the past: the imperfect tense. We have not covered this tense yet but we will be doing so in future lessons. For just now, the best way to say "it was sunny" in this situation would be *il faisait du soleil*.

Mark then asked Anna (and our listeners) to change each sentence in Anna's diary into the 3rd person. So instead of "I woke up at seven o'clock" we would say "she woke up at seven o'clock".

<b>ce matin elle s'est réveillée à sept heures</b>	this morning she woke up at seven o'clock
<b>elle a pris une douche</b>	she had a shower
<b>elle s'est habillée</b>	she got dressed
<b>elle est partie de la maison à huit heures et demie</b>	she left the house at half past eight
<b>elle est arrivée à l'université à neuf heures</b>	she arrived at university at nine o'clock
<b>elle a parlé avec ses amis</b>	she spoke with her friends
<b>ils ont bu un café</b>	they drank / had a coffee
<b>elle a étudié l'allemand dans la bibliothèque</b>	she studied (some) German in the library
<b>à midi elle a mangé un sandwich dans le parc avec sa copine</b>	at midday she ate a sandwich in the park with her friend
<b>cet après-midi elle a joué au badminton et elle a vu une autre copine</b>	this afternoon she played badminton and she saw another friend
<b>elles ont parlé en français</b>	they spoke (in) French
<b>elle est rentrée à dix-huit heures</b>	she went home at six o'clock
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