

Future Tense

The French future tense, specifically the simple future (le futur simple), generally follows the format of infinitive + [future endings]. The future endings are -ai, -as, -a, -ons, -ez, -ont, which are added to the infinitive form of the verb. For regular -re verbs, the final 'e' is dropped before adding the endings.

Formation:

1. **-er and -ir verbs:**

Use the full infinitive as the stem.

- Example: parler (to speak) becomes je parlerai, tu parleras, il parlera, nous parlerons, vous parlerez, ils parleront.

2. **-re verbs:**

Drop the final 'e' of the infinitive.

- Example: vendre (to sell) becomes je vendrai, tu vendras, il vendra, nous vendrons, vous vendrez, ils vendront.

Examples:

- Je mangerai des pommes. (I will eat apples.)
- Tu finiras tes devoirs. (You will finish your homework.)
- Il descendra la montagne. (He will descend the mountain.)
- Nous attenderons le bus. (We will wait for the bus.)
- Vous aurez le temps. (You will have time.)
- Ils partiront en vacances. (They will leave for vacation.)