Present Tense

In French, present tense verbs are conjugated (their endings are changed) based on the subject pronoun (je, tu, il/elle/on, nous, vous, ils/elles) and the verb's infinitive ending (-er, -ir, or -re). Regular verbs follow predictable patterns for these endings, while irregular verbs have their own unique conjugations.

Here's a breakdown:
1. Identifying the Verb Type:
   - French verbs are categorised by their infinitive endings: -er, -ir, or -re.

   - Examples: parler (to speak, -er), choisir (to choose, -ir), vendre (to sell, -re).

2. Forming the Present Tense:

   - **-er verbs:**
     Remove the -er from the infinitive and add the appropriate ending for each subject pronoun.
       - Example: parler (to speak) becomes je parle, tu parles, il/elle/on parle, nous parlons, vous parlez, ils/elles parlent.

   - **-ir verbs:**
     Remove the -ir and add the corresponding endings.
       - Example: choisir (to choose) becomes je choisis, tu choisis, il/elle/on choisit, nous choisissons, vous choisissez, ils/elles choisissent.

   - **-re verbs:**
     Remove the -re and add the corresponding endings.
       - Example: vendre (to sell) becomes je vends, tu vends, il/elle/on vend, nous vendons, vous vendez, ils/elles vendent.