

6-7d Structure 6.4

Using verbs like *choisir* Les verbes comme *choisir*

You have already learned a type of irregular **-ir** verb (**dormir, sortir...**). **Choisir** follows a slightly different pattern.

choisir (to choose)

je choisis	nous choisissons
tu choisis	vous choisissez
il/elle/on choisit	ils/elles choisissent
passé composé: j'ai choisi	

Nous **choisissons** de partir tout de suite.

We choose to leave right away.

Other regular **-ir** verbs of this type include **finir** (to finish), **réfléchir** (to think), **obéir** (to obey), **agir** (to act), **réagir** (to react), and **réussir** (to succeed; to pass [a class, test]).

Mon chien ne m'**obéit** pas.

My dog doesn't obey me.

Nous **réussissons** à tous nos cours.

We are successful in all our classes.

A number of regular **-ir** verbs conjugated like **choisir** are derived from adjectives.

adjective	verb	meaning
grand	grandir	to grow up
gros	grossir	to gain weight
maigre (thin)	maigrir	to lose weight

rouge

rougir

to redden; to blush

Tu ne manges pas assez, tu **maigris**!

You don't eat enough, you're losing weight!

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