



# FRENCH TABLE

*Infinitives*

French verbs that are often followed by an infinitive



Verbs of movement		Verbs of preference		Verbs of opinion		Verbs of perception	
<i>aller</i>	to go	<i>adorer</i>	to adore	<i>croire</i>	to believe	<i>écouter</i>	to listen
<i>descendre</i>	to go down	<i>aimer</i>	to love, to like	<i>espérer</i>	to hope	<i>entendre</i>	to hear
<i>partir</i>	to leave	<i>désirer</i>	to want, to like	<i>nier</i>	to deny	<i>regarder</i>	to watch
<i>rentrer</i>	to return	<i>détester</i>	to hate	<i>penser</i>	to think	<i>sentir</i>	to smell
<i>retourner</i>	to go back	<i>préférer</i>	to prefer	<i>il vaut mieux</i> (impersonal)	it is best to	<i>voir</i>	to see
<i>revenir</i>	to come back	<i>vouloir</i>	to want				
<i>sortir</i>	to go out						
<i>venir</i>	to come						



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Common verbs with the prepositions *à* and *de* that are followed by an infinitive

Verb + <i>à</i> + infinitive verb	
<i>aider à</i>	to help to
<i>s'amuser à</i>	to have fun at
<i>apprendre à</i>	to learn to
<i>arriver à</i>	to succeed to, to manage to
<i>avoir à</i>	to have to, to be obliged to
<i>s'attendre à</i>	to be expected to
<i>chercher à</i>	to try to, to attempt to
<i>commencer à</i>	to start to
<i>continuer à</i>	to continue to
<i>consentir à</i>	to agree to
<i>se décider à</i>	to decide to
<i>encourager à</i>	to encourage to
<i>obliger à</i>	to force to
<i>s'habituer à</i>	to get used to
<i>hésiter à</i>	to get used to
<i>hésiter à</i>	to hesitate to
<i>inviter à</i>	to invite to
<i>se mettre à</i>	to start to
<i>se préparer à</i>	to prepare to
<i>renoncer à</i>	to give up [doing something]
<i>réussir à</i>	to succeed to
<i>servir à</i>	to be used for
<i>tenir à</i>	to be anxious to, to be eager to
<i>parvenir à</i>	to succeed to
<i>passer du temps à</i>	to spend time to
<i>persister à</i>	to persist to
<i>pousser à</i>	to push to
<i>recommencer à</i>	to begin again to
<i>s'autoriser à</i>	to allow oneself to



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## Verb + *de* + infinitive verb

<i>accepter de</i>	to accept to
<i>arrêter de</i>	to stop
<i>avoir peur de</i>	to be afraid of [doing something]
<i>avoir envie de</i>	to feel like [doing something]
<i>avoir besoin de</i>	to need to
<i>avoir l'air de</i>	to seem to
<i>avoir l'intention de</i>	to intend to
<i>avoir raison de</i>	to be right to
<i>avoir tort de</i>	to be wrong to
<i>cesser de</i>	to cease to
<i>choisir de</i>	to choose to
<i>conseiller de</i>	to advise to
<i>continuer de</i>	to continue to
<i>craindre de</i>	to fear to
<i>décider de</i>	to decide to
<i>se dépêcher de</i>	to hurry to
<i>descendre de</i>	to get off/ down from [doing something]
<i>essayer de</i>	to try to
<i>s'excuser de</i>	to apologize for [doing something]
<i>finir de</i>	to finish [doing something]
<i>manquer de</i>	to neglect [doing something]
<i>mériter de</i>	to deserve to

<i>offrir de</i>	to offer to
<i>oublier de</i>	to forget to
<i>parler de</i>	to talk about [doing something]
<i>(se) permettre de</i>	to allow (oneself) to
<i>se plaindre de</i>	to complain about [doing something]
<i>promettre de</i>	to promise to
<i>proposer de</i>	to suggest to
<i>refuser de</i>	to refuse to
<i>regretter de</i>	to regret to
<i>remercier de</i>	to thank for [doing something]
<i>rêver de</i>	to dream of [doing something]
<i>risquer de</i>	to risk to
<i>se souvenir de</i>	to remember to
<i>supplier de</i>	to beg to
<i>venir de</i>	to have just [done something]
<i>se contenter de</i>	to content oneself with [doing something]
<i>s'efforcer de</i>	to try hard to
<i>envisager de</i>	to contemplate [doing something]
<i>éviter de</i>	to avoid [doing something]
<i>faire semblant de</i>	to pretend to
<i>projeter de faire</i>	to plan to

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