

# FRENCH VERBS

## DE + INFINITIVE



**Grammar topic:** French Verbs + DE + Infinitive

**Curriculum:** French Level A1

This lesson is about some very common French verbs followed by DE + infinitive. The little two letter word DE is very important! Take note of it every time you see it!

This is not a complete list. I've tried to choose some verbs that I think you're actually going to want to use as you start to speak more and more French.

accepter de to agree to	Nous acceptons <b>D'ASSISTER</b> à votre mariage.  We agree to attend your wedding.
arrêter de to stop	J'arrête <b>DE PARLER</b> .  I stop speaking.  I'm not speaking anymore.
avoir besoin de to need	Tu as besoin <b>D'Étudier</b> ces verbes.  You need to study these verbs.
avoir envie de to want	Qui a envie <b>D'ALLER</b> voir le nouveau James Bond?  Who wants to go see the new James Bond movie?
avoir l'air de to seem to	Tu as l'air <b>DE VOULOIR</b> dire quelque chose.  You seem to want to say something.
avoir l'intention de to intend	On n'a pas l'intention <b>DE VOYAGER</b> cet hiver.  We do not intend to travel this winter.
avoir peur de to be afraid	Mon frère a peur <b>DE PRENDRE</b> l'avion.  My brother is afraid to fly.

avoir raison de to be right	Vous avez raison <b>D'AVOIR</b> peur.  You are right to be afraid.
avoir tort de to be wrong	Vous avez tort <b>DE ne pas</b> me <b>FAIRE</b> confiance.  You are wrong not to trust me.
choisir de to choose	Vous choisissez <b>DE RESTER</b> chez vous.  You choose to stay home.
décider de to decide	Ils décident <b>DE FAIRE</b> une présentation.  They decide to make a presentation.
demander de to ask	Je demande <b>DE SORTIR</b> .  I'm asking to go out.
essayer de to try	Nous essayons <b>DE te COMPRENDRE</b> .  We are trying to understand you.
être obligé(e) de to be obligated to have to	Nous sommes obligé(e)s <b>DE PARTIR</b> à 18h30.  We are obligated to leave at 6:30 pm. We have to leave at 6:30 pm.
faire exprès de to do on purpose	Je ne fais pas exprès <b>DE ne pas COMPRENDRE</b> .

	I don't mean not to understand.
finir de to finish	Elles finissent <b>D'ÉCRIRE</b> l'exercice.  They finish writing the exercise.
offrir de to offer	J'offre <b>D'APPORTER</b> leurs bagages.  I'm offering to bring their luggage.
oublier de to forget	Tu oublies toujours <b>DE FAIRE</b> tes devoirs.  You always forget to do your homework.
promettre de to promise	Nous promettons <b>DE RANGER</b> notre chambre.  We promise to clean up our room.
rêver de to dream	Ses petits-enfants rêvent <b>D'ALLER</b> à Disneyland.  His / Her grandchildren dream of going to Disneyland.
risquer de to risk	Vous risquez <b>DE PERDRE</b> toutes vos affaires.  You risk losing all of your belongings.

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