

# FRENCH FUTURE PERFECT LE FUTUR ANTÉRIEUR



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## Le Futur Antérieur

This is a tense that you can use to talk about something that *will have happened* at some point in the future. The action will have had a beginning and an ending. This tense is called the *future perfect* in English.

### What does the *futur antérieur* look like, and how is it formed?

Follow the exact same rules as for the *passé composé*. This tense is composed of a *helping verb* and a *past participle*.


### Most of the time *avoir* is used as helping verb

Rather than using the helping verb in the present tense, as you do when forming the *passé composé*, you need to now use it in the *futur simple*.

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## ***Avoir* in the *futur simple* tense:**

j'aurai	nous aurons
tu auras	vous aurez
il - elle - on aura	ils - elles auront

## **Example - REGARDER Use *avoir* as a helping verb.**

J'aurai regardé I will have watched
Tu auras regardé You will have watched
Il - Elle - On aura regardé He - She - We will have watched
Nous aurons regardé We will have watched
Vous aurez regardé You will have watched
Ils auront regardé They will have watched

## **Sometimes *être* is used as helping verb**

Rather than using the helping verb in the present tense, as you do when forming the *passé composé*, you need to now use it in the *futur simple*.

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## **Être in the futur simple tense:**

je serai	nous serons
tu seras	vous serez
il - elle - on sera	ils - elles seront

**Example - ARRIVER - Follow this pattern with all [verbs that use être](#) as a helping verb.**

je serai arrivé(e) I will have arrived
tu seras arrivé(e) You will have arrived
il - elle - on sera arrivé(e) He - She - We will have arrived
nous serons arrivé(e)s We will have arrived
vous serez arrivé(e)(s) You will have arrived
ils - elles seront arrivé(e)s They will have arrived

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## Example - SE COUCHER - Follow this pattern with all reflexive verbs

je me serai couché(e) I will have gone to bed
tu te seras couché(e) You will have gone to bed
il - elle - on se sera couché(e) He - She - We will have gone to bed
nous nous serons couché(e)s We will have gone to bed
vous vous serez couché(e)(s) You will have gone to bed
ils - elles se seront couché(e)s They will have gone to bed

## Examples in context using *avoir* as helping verb

J'aurai pris mon temps en apprenant cette leçon. I will have taken my time learning this lesson.
Tu auras lu tous les romans de cet écrivain. You will have read all of this writer's novels.
Elle aura bien suivi le mode d'emploi. She will have followed the user's manual.

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Nous aurons appris à parler français.  
We will have learned to speak French.

Vous aurez mis la table?  
Will you have set the table?

Ils auront répondu à toutes les questions.  
They will have responded to all of the questions.

### **Examples in context using être as helping verb**

Je serai rentré(e) avant minuit.  
I will have come home before midnight.

Tu te seras déjà lavé / brosse les dents.  
You will already have brushed your teeth.

Il sera déjà parti quand tu arriveras.  
He will have already left when you (will) arrive.

Nous nous serons déjà endormi(e)s.  
We will have already fallen asleep.

Vous serez déjà venu(e)(s) chez nous.  
You will have already come to our house.

Ils se seront déjà garé(s).  
They will have already parked.

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## Examples using negation and pronouns

Je n'aurai pas appris ma leçon avant demain.  
I will not have learned my lesson by tomorrow.

Je ne l'aurai pas apprise avant demain.  
I will not have learned it by tomorrow.

Tu ne seras jamais arrivé(e) au bureau à l'heure.  
You will never have arrived at the office on time.

Tu n'y seras jamais arrivé(e) à l'heure.  
You will never have arrived (there) on time.

Elle n'aura eu qu'un enfant.  
She will only have had one child.

Elle n'en aura eu qu'un.  
She will only have had one.

Nous ne nous serons pas vu(e)s au concert.  
We will not have seen each other at the concert.

Nous ne nous y serons pas vu(e)s.  
We will not have seen each other (there).

Vous n'aurez pas encore acheté les tomates.  
You will not have bought the tomatoes yet.

Vous ne les aurez pas encore achetées.  
You will not have bought them yet.

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Ils ne seront jamais allés à Paris.  
They will never have gone to Paris.

Ils n'y seront jamais allés.  
They will never have been there.

**Use the *futur antérieur* or the *futur simple* after the following conjunctions when referring to the future:**

QUAND	WHEN
LORSQUE	WHEN
AUSSITÔT QUE	AS SOON AS
DÈS QUE	AS SOON AS
APRÈS QUE	AFTER
UNE FOIS QUE	ONCE

QUAND

Quand tu auras fini de ranger ta chambre, tu pourras partir.  
When you have finished cleaning up your room, you can leave.

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## LORSQUE

Lorsque vous vous serez lavé les cheveux, il faudra les sécher.

When you have washed your hair, you have to dry it.

## AUSSITÔT QUE

Elle m'appellera aussitôt qu'elle sera arrivée.

She will call me as soon as she has arrived.

## DÈS QUE

Dès que j'aurai coupé les patates, je ferai les frites.

As soon as I have cut the potatoes, I will make the fries.

## APRÈS QUE

Après que je lui aurai parlé, je te raconterai tout.

After I have talked to her / him, I will tell you everything.

## UNE FOIS QUE

Une fois que nos copains seront partis, on fera la vaisselle.

Once our friends have left, we will do the dishes.

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