

FRE 1301: ELEMENTARY FRENCH

Week 7 Tutoring Resource – Macy Scott

Bonjour! I hope everyone has had a nice weekend! I can't believe it's already March! This semester is passing by so quickly, so continue to keep up with past resources to refresh yourself with the material. Please continue to stay safe and healthy as we near the end of winter. Keep up the great work, everyone! Let me know if you need anything at all.

WEEK SEVEN:

Listed below are some of the concepts that students in FRE 1301 will be learning the week of **March 1 – 5:**

Keywords:

- The verb “faire”
- The verb “aller”
- The verb “être”
- The verb “avoir”

1. *faire*

Learning “faire” (meaning “to do/to make”) can be tough because it is an irregular verb, but I'm sure you will all will be able to master and remember this concept. Here is a chart that explains the conjugations:

| faire | |
|-----------|---------|
| je | fais |
| tu | fais |
| il/elle | fait |
| nous | faisons |
| vous | faites |
| elles/ils | font |

Source: *Faire* (pinterest.com)

As you can see, there is not a “stem” that you can use to conjugate faire like most other verbs. Therefore, learning this verb requires memorization. Mastering this concept is SO important because there are so many expressions in French that require this verb. To familiarize yourself with some of these frequent expressions, check out this helpful video by “Learn French with Alexa.” She details 50 useful expressions that use faire.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uvJ3QiwBBio>

The following video is one that you might find even more helpful. It details only 10 expressions, but these are extremely common that I’m sure you are using in class. The video is very visual and uses the verb in sentences.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ja1Cgiwbf10>

Additionally, here is a cute song that will help you memorize the verb conjugations. It’s catchy and shows the spelling of the conjugations on the screen for you all to see!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_eh0qRLDDbI

The students in Elementary French have an upcoming exam, so here’s a chart that details faire alongside other verbs you have reviewed this semester:

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|  faire  Singulier je fais tu fais il fait elle fait Pluriel nous faisons vous faites ils font elles font |  aller  Singulier je vais tu vas il va elle va Pluriel nous allons vous allez ils vont elles vont |
|  être  Singulier je suis tu es il est elle est Pluriel nous sommes vous êtes ils sont elles sont |  avoir  Singulier j’ai tu as il a elle a Pluriel nous avons vous avez ils ont elles ont |

Source: French verbs (pinterest.com)

Listed below is a quiz you can use to practice this verb. It will be a great way for you to test your skills as you study. The quiz will automatically tell you if you are using faire in the present tense correctly!

<https://www.quia.com/quiz/385681.html>

That's all for this week! Let me know if you have any feedback and/or questions! Good luck on your exams!

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