

FRE 1301: ELEMENTARY FRENCH

Week 8 Tutoring Resource – Macy Scott

Bonjour! I hope everyone has had a great weekend! I can't believe how fast this semester has gone by. Keep up the good work, everyone. We're in the second half of the semester now, so let's end the semester in the most successful way possible! As always, reach out to me with feedback, suggestions, comments, or concerns! Here's your resource for week 8:

WEEK EIGHT:

Listed below are some of the concepts that students in FRE 1301 will be learning the week of **March 8 – 12:**

Keywords:

- The verb "prendre"
- The verb "boire"

"Prendre" (to take) and "boire" (to drink) are both irregular verbs in French. Learning them requires memorization in order to conjugate them correctly. Here are charts that you can use as you study.

I take Je prends	We take Nous prenons
You take Tu prends	You take Vous prenez
He/She/One takes Il/Elle/On prend	They take Ils/Elles prennent

Source: Prendre (frenchlearner.com)

CONJUGAISON VISUELLE

1s	je bois
2s	tu bois
3s	il boit
1p	nous buvons
2p	vous buvez
3p	ils boivent

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Source: Boire (*imagiers.net*)

These verbs can be pretty tricky! Here are some tips that I would like all of you to keep in mind:

1. The “nous” and “vous” forms of prendre have **one n** in the conjugation
2. For both of these verbs, remember “s,s,t.”/”s,s,d.” (for memorizing the je,tu,il)

Here is a YouTube video by “Learn French with Alexa” that describes the “boire” conjugations:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fg7GXkrcAmY>

Here is a video by the same channel that describes “prendre”:

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

I found an additional video that talks about both verbs in the same video! This one is great because it reminds you that conjugating “prendre” is the same as conjugating other verbs that have “prendre” in the word (i.e. apprendre, comprendre). I love this video because it uses a cute animation and a lovely French accent.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E8SyvQ2JJ8E>

Once you have gone over the charts and videos, be sure to take some practice quizzes! Here is the link to a quiz on “prendre.” It’s a timed, interactive quiz that should be fun for you to use:

<https://www.sporcle.com/games/gleefan342/prendre>

Finally, here is a quiz about “boire” created by the same person who made the “prendre” quiz!:

<https://www.sporcle.com/games/gleefan342/boire>

As mentioned, understanding these two verbs is extremely important, because several other verbs in French follow a similar pattern. Once you have mastered the content in this resource, look at two verbs on the chart below that follow a similar structure to prendre:

Apprendre (to learn)

J' **a**pprends

Tu **a**pprends

Il/elle/on **a**pprend

Nous **a**pprenons

Vous **a**pprenez

Ils/elles **a**pprennent

Comprendre (to understand)

Je comprends

Tu comprends

Il/elle/on comprend

Nous comprenons

Vous comprenez

Ils/elles comprennent

Source: French Prendre (quizizz.comt)

Once you have studied this chart, go back and watch the YouTube video by Veronique Micha again (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E8SyyQ2JJ8E>). Studying all of this together should give you all the resources available for you to fully understand these important irregular verbs.

That’s all for French Resource #8! As always, please let me know if you have any questions. Have a great week!

Merci beaucoup,
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