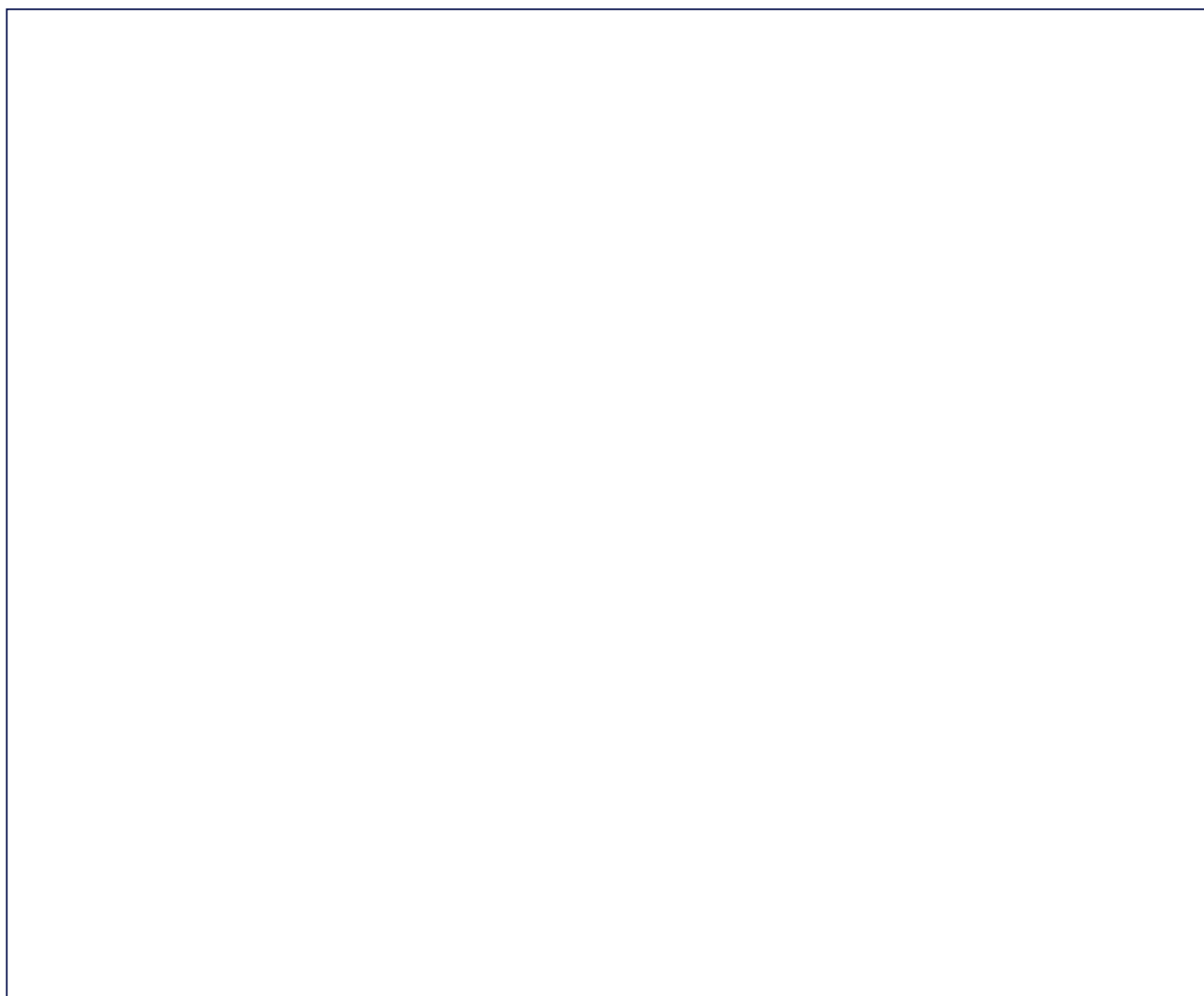


Rosa's Time-Travelling Verbs

Learning objective: To understand and apply basic French verb endings in the present tense (-er verbs) and recognise how actions change over time.

Help Rosa the parrot sort her verbs! You will draw a scene that shows the difference between what happens now (le présent) and what happened before (le passé). Follow the drawing steps carefully and label your work using the French word bank provided.

Draw: Split your page in half with a vertical line. On the left side, titled 'Le Passé', draw a scene of a forest floor with a colourful butterfly dancing in the air. On the right side, titled 'Le Présent', draw a cheerful picnic scene where a character is eating a delicious piece of fruit under a bright sun. Use bright, happy colours.



Label words: je mange (I eat) · je dansais (I was dancing) · le soleil (the sun) · le passé (the past) · le présent (the present)

Steps:

1. Look at the verb 'manger' (to eat). In French, if you want to say 'I eat' in the present tense, you remove the -er and add -e. Write the word for 'I eat' here:
2. Rosa says that French verbs change their ending depending on who is doing the action. If 'Je' means 'I', why do you think we change the end of the verb?

3. Label your butterfly drawing with the French phrase for 'I was dancing'.
4. In the picnic scene, label the sun using the French word for sun from the word bank.
5. If you wanted to say 'You eat' in French, the word changes to 'tu manges'. Can you spot the difference between 'je mange' and 'tu manges'?