

## BEGINNER2. LESSON #25. PRÉPARATION DU REPAS

- Nous sommes déjà le 24 décembre ?
- Jean et Suzanne arriveront bientôt et nous préparerons...
- Coucou. J'ai apporté une dinde.
- Les voilà. Moi j'ai tout le reste. Au travail ! Il faudra ouvrir les huîtres.
- Je les ouvrirai.
- Il faudra mettre le vin au frais.
- Je le mettrai au réfrigérateur.
- Il faudra faire cuire les légumes.
- Je les cuirai.
- Il faudra mettre le couvert.
- Nous mettrons le couvert.
- Et vous me laisserez faire quelque chose tout de même ?

### TRANSLATION

- It's already december 24<sup>th</sup> ?
- Jean and Suzanne will arrive soon and you'll prepare...
- Hi ! I brought a turkey.
- Here they are. I have everything else. Let's go to work. We have to open the oysters.
- I'll open them.
- We have to put the wine in the refrigerator.
- I'll put it in the refrigerator.
- We have to cook the vegetables.
- I'll cook them.
- We have to lay the table.
- We'll lay the table.
- And will you, at least, let me do something ?



Mettre au frais, means put in somewhere cold. What's colder than a refrigerator.

Your turkey comes from Turkey. Our *dinde* comes from India.



Dinde (fém.) : turkey.

Huitre (fém.) : oyster.

Réfrigérateur (masc.) : refrigerator.

Mettre le couvert, mettre la table : to lay the table.

Laisser : to let.



Here we also have **verbs from the third group**.

For most of the verbs from the third group, we take the infinitive form, we remove the final *-e* if there is one then we add future tense endings.

That's true for such verbs as : *ouvrir, cuire, mettre*

*Je les ouvrirai, je le mettrai, je les cuirai.*

But there are a few exceptions, about two dozens verbs that have an irregular stem. We already spoke about *aller*.

Here we have ***falloir*** which means *to be necessary* and whose futur stem is *faudr-*.

*Falloir* is an impersonal verb : we conjugate it with only one grammatical person, the third person singular.

So you just have to remember : ***il faudra***.



Most of us, French people are used to say *frigo* as you say *fridge*. It's short for *frigidaire* which is a old brand of refrigerator.



Translate in French :

1. Je mettrai le vin au réfrigérateur.
2. Nous ouvrirons les huîtres et nous cuirons le poisson.

What's your favourite meal ?

(Feel free to email us the answer, in French, of course)

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