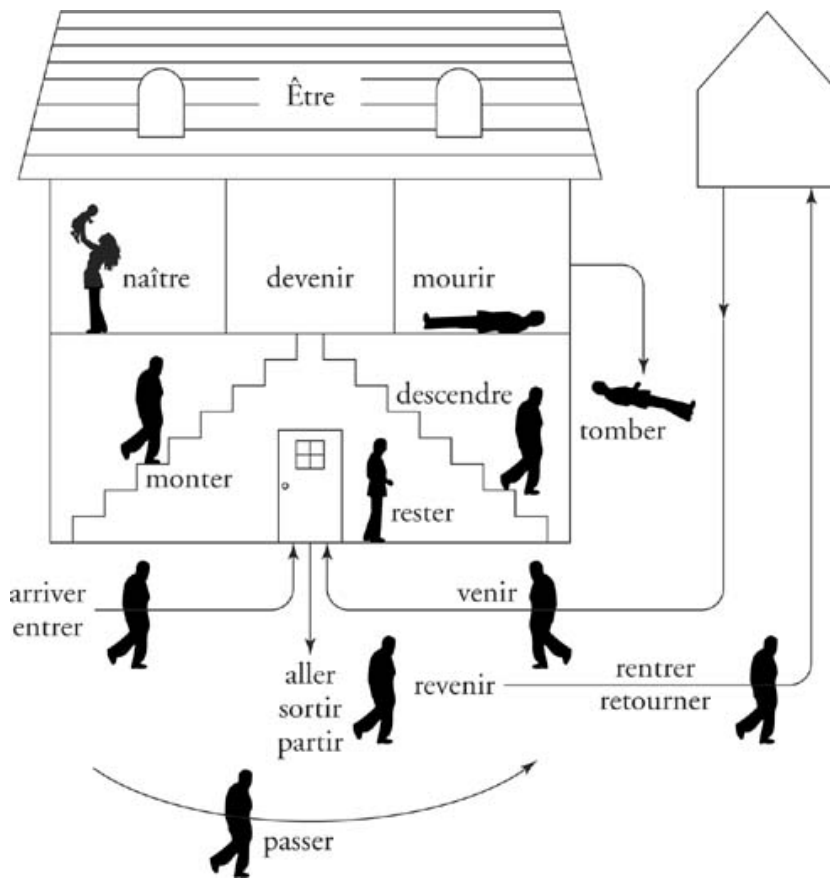


Le passé composé avec être

The passé composé of 17 “action” verbs is formed by combining the present tense of être and the past participle of the verb showing the action. Most of these verbs express motion or a change of place, state, or condition (that is, going up, going down, going in, going out, or remaining).

Dr. and Mrs. Vandertrampp live in the house below. Their name may help you memorize the 17 verbs using être. An asterisk (*) in the table below denotes an irregular past participle.



	Verb	Past Part.
D	devenir (to become)	devenu*
R	revenir (to come back)	revenu*
M	mourir (to die)	mort*
R	retourner (to return)	retourné
S	sortir (to go out)	sorti
V	venir (to come)	venu*
A	arriver (to arrive)	arrivé
N	naître (to be born)	né*
D	descendre (to descend)	descendu
E	entrer (to enter)	entré
R	rentrer (to return)	rentré
T	tomber (to fall)	tombé
R	rester (to remain)	resté
A	aller (to go)	allé
M	monter (to go up)	monté
P	partir (to leave)	parti
P	passer (to pass by)	passé