

Deutsch I für Anfänger

Introduction to German Verb Conjugation

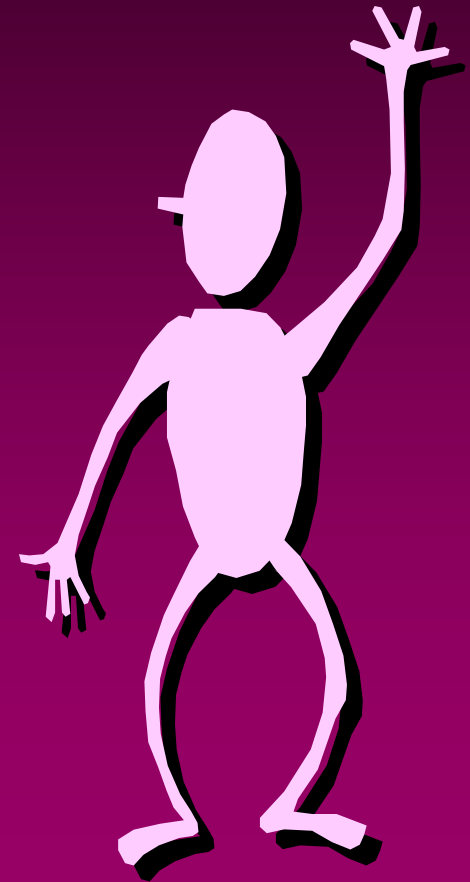
Beginning German I

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Guten Tag

- **Ich heiße Alex.**
- **Und du?**
- **Wie heißt du?**

*I am called Alex.
And you?
What's your name?*



Verbs = Action words

Verbs can express many different types of action:

► a physical activity

to run, to sit, to stand, (**rennen, sitzen, stehen**)

► a mental activity

to dream, to think, to believe, to hope

(**träumen, denken, glauben, hoffen**)

► a condition

to be, to become, (**sein, werden,**)

Verbs

A ***verb*** is vital to form a complete sentence.

The ***subject*** performs the action of the verb.

Any sentence consists of a ***subject*** plus a ***verb***.

Verbs in German

- All German verbs consist of two parts.
- A verb stem is combined with the general ending ~en.

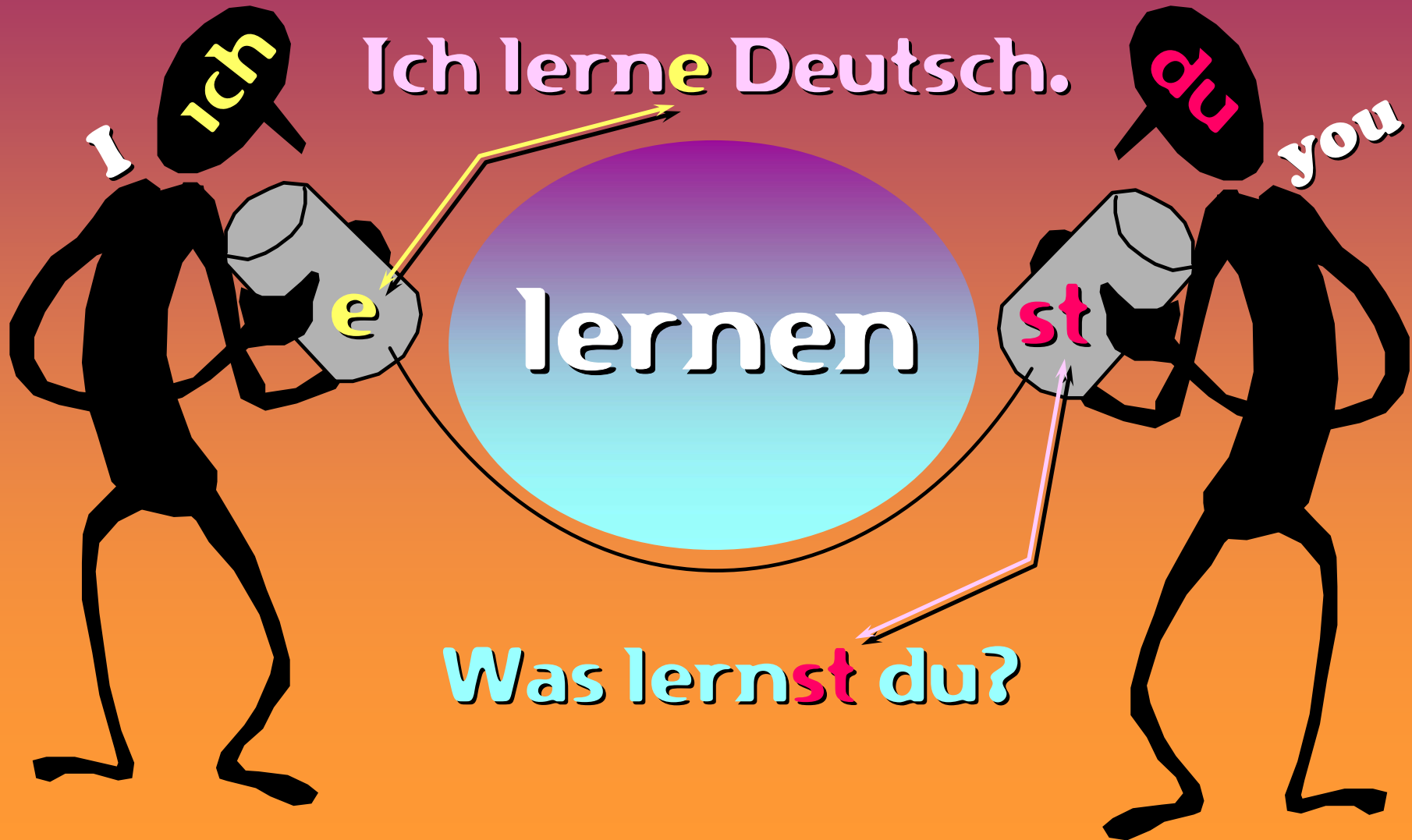
*heiß***en** = *to be called*

→ *ß* = *ss*

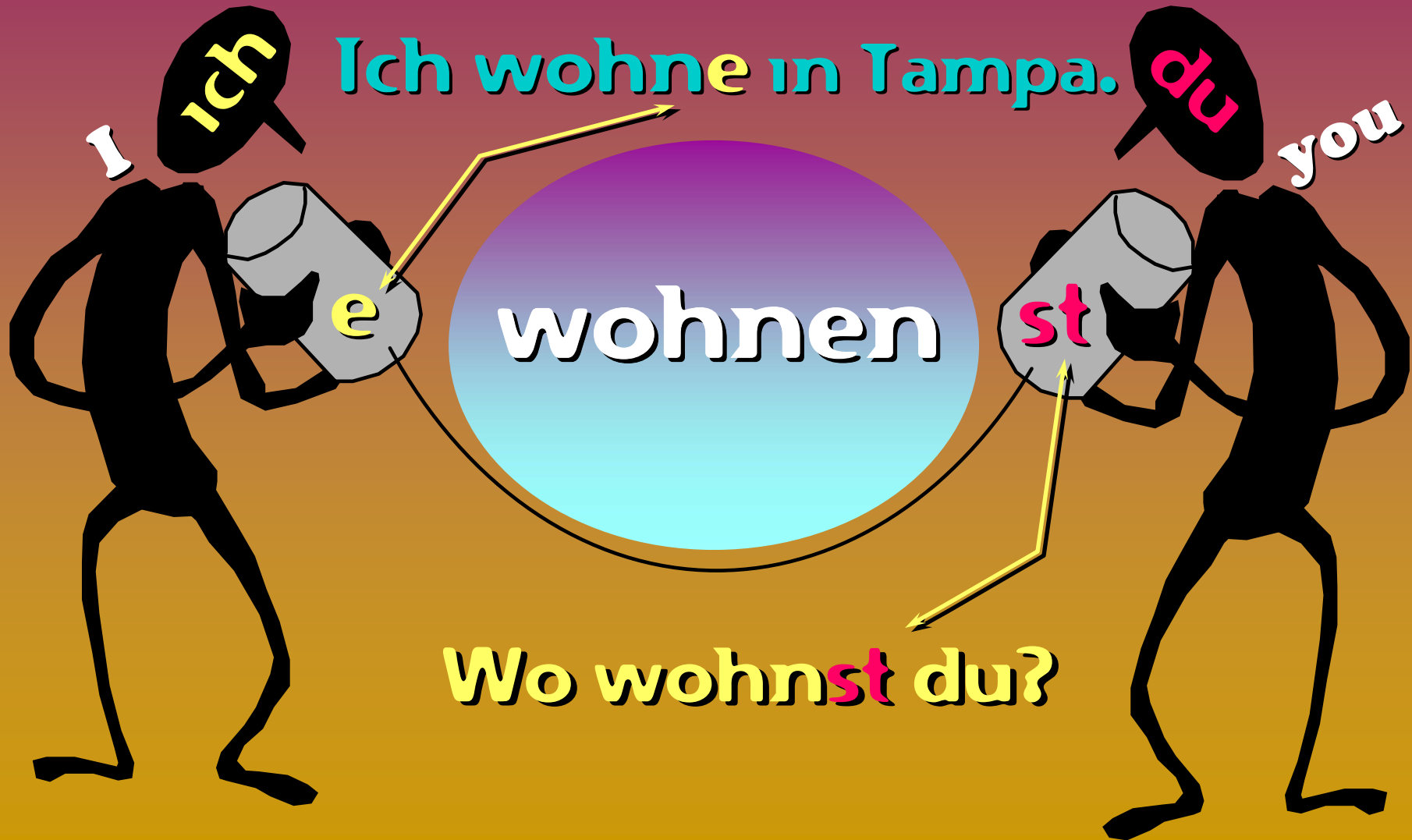
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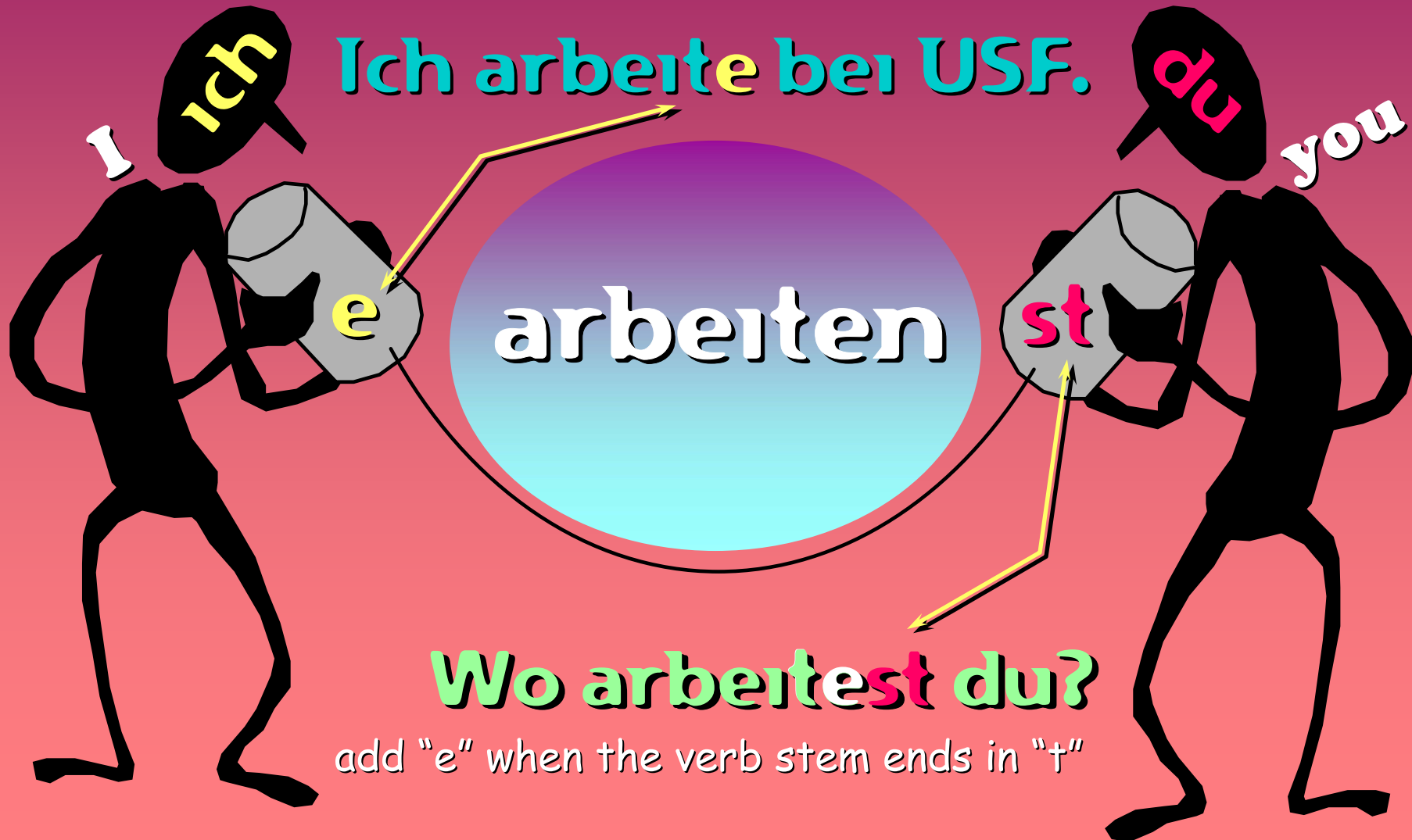
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Verb Conjugation

Er heisst Heinrich.

Er lernt Deutsch

Er heisst Peter.

Er arbeitet bei USF.

Er heisst Rainer.

Er wohnt in Tampa.



Verb Conjugation

Sie
spielen
zusammen.



They
play
together.

Verb Conjugation

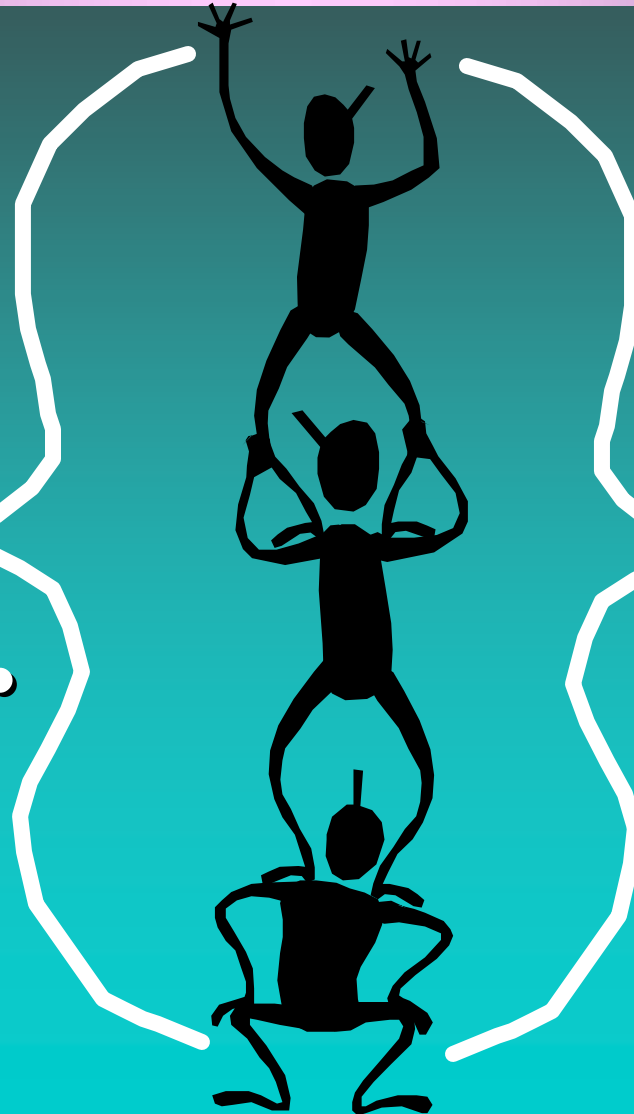
Sie
wohnen
zusammen.



They
live
together.

Verb Conjugation

Sie
arbeiten
zusammen.



They
work
together.

Verb conjugation: Pronouns

◆ 1st person singular

- When the speaker is the *performer* of the (action) *verb*

✻ the “*I* form”, (the “*ich* form”)

✧ **Ich** heiße Alex.

✧ **Ich** wohne in Tampa.

✧ **Ich** lerne Deutsch.

Verb conjugation: Pronouns

◇ 2nd person singular

- When the subject performing the verb is the person *to whom* you are speaking.

★ the “*you* form”, (the “*du* form”)

informal*

Du lernst Deutsch.

★ *There are other forms for the word “you” used when the subject is formal and/or plural.*

Verb conjugation: Pronouns

◎ 3rd person singular

☯ When the subject performing the verb is the person, thing or idea that you are speaking *about*.

★ the “*he, she* or *it* form”, (the “*er/sie/es* form”)

Er lernt Deutsch.

Personal Pronouns

	<i>Singular</i>	<i>Plural</i>
1st person	ich	wir
2nd person	du	ihr
	Sie	Sie
3rd person	er/sie/es	sie

Personal Pronouns: Verb Endings

1st pers. **ich** ~e **wir** ~en

2nd pers. **du** ~st **ihr** ~t
 Sie ~en **Sie** ~en

3rd pers. **er/sie/es** ~t **sie** ~en

Personal Pronouns: Verb Endings

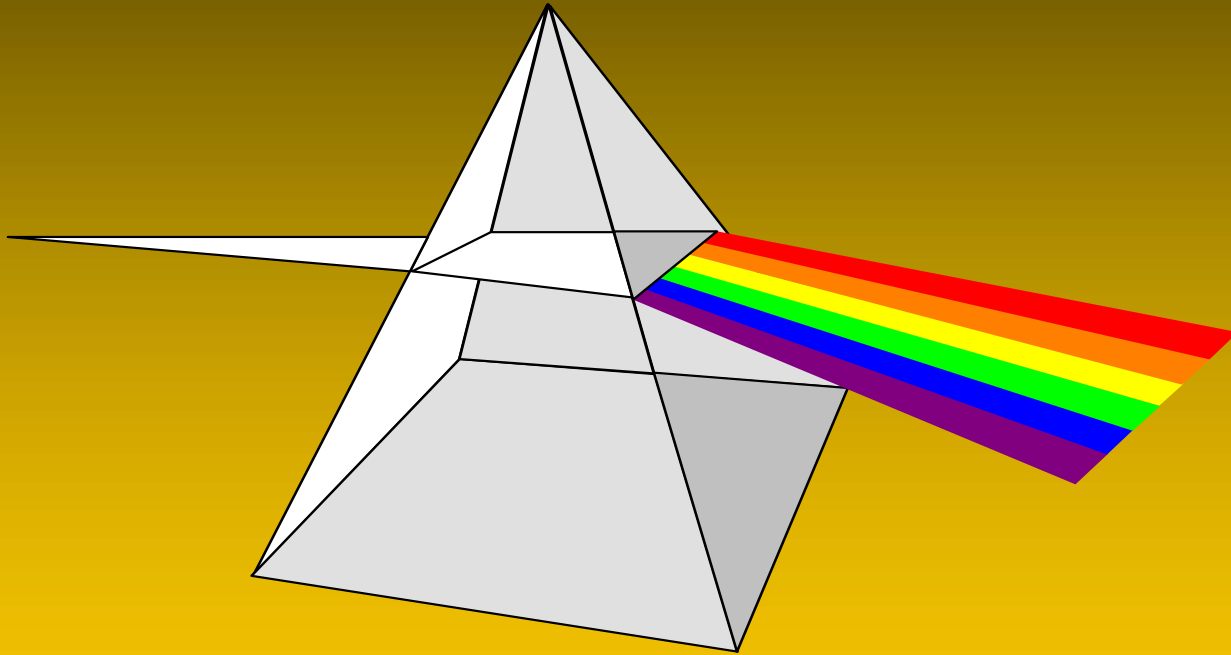
ich lerne **wir** lernen

du lernst **ihr** lernt

Sie lernen **Sie** lernen

er/sie/es lernt **sie** lernen

Danke schön



Viel Spaß beim Deutsch lernen!