

**I'd rather** (would rather) **study** English **than** (study) French. If the verb is the same, it usually is not repeated after *than*.

**Would rather** expresses PREFERENCE. The base form of the verb follows both **would rather** and **than**.

- I'd rather do judo \_\_\_\_\_ karate.  
(I prefer doing judo to doing karate.)
- I'd \_\_\_\_\_ listen to music than watch TV.  
(I prefer listening to music to watching TV.)
- My mother would rather \_\_\_\_\_ the bus than walk. (My mother prefers taking the bus to walking.)
- They \_\_\_\_\_ (long form) rather have the strawberries by themselves than with cream.  
(They prefer strawberries by themselves to having them with cream.)
- Would you like to go out for dinner tonight?  
~ I think I'd rather eat at home \_\_\_\_\_ at a restaurant.
- Would you rather drink water or soda with the curry?  
~ I'd rather \_\_\_\_\_ water than soda.
- Shall we go to the park or stay at home?  
~ I \_\_\_\_\_ (short form) rather stay at home than go to the park.