

# ENGLISH TENSES



Tense	Form	Affirmative	Negative	Question	Use
<b>Present Simple</b>	Verb ( infinitive) Verb + <b>-s/ -es</b> (3 <sup>rd</sup> per /sing )	S + Verb (infinitive / <b>-s</b> <b>-es</b> I live in London She <b>lives</b> in London	S +Aux negative + Verb ( <b>don't / doesn't</b> ) + Infinit You <b>don't</b> live in .... He <b>doesn't</b> live in....	(WH) +Auxiliar + S+ Verb? ( <b>Do / does</b> ) (Infinitive) Where <b>do</b> they live? <b>Does</b> he live in London?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ Habitual actions (With frequency adverbs )</li> <li>♦ Permanent situations.</li> <li>♦ States and universal truths.</li> <li>♦ Timetables / programmes (Future use)</li> </ul> <b>Time Expressions:</b> Every day / in the morning once / twice / three times a week / always / usually / sometimes..... on Mondays...etc
<b>Present Continuous</b>	To <b>be</b> + Verb (am/ is / are) ( <b>-ing</b> )	S + Aux ( <b>be</b> ) + verb <b>am / is /are (ing)</b> I <b>am</b> studying he <b>is</b> studying	S + Aux negative + V <b>am not / isn't aren't -ing</b> You <b>aren't</b> studying She <b>isn't</b> studying	(WH) +Aux + S +Verb ( <b>ing</b> ) What <b>are</b> you studying? <b>Is</b> he studying ?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ Actions happening at or around the the moment of speaking.</li> <li>♦ Temporary situations.</li> <li>♦ Fixed arrangements ( Future use)</li> </ul> <b>Time Expressions:</b> Now / at the moment / at Present / nowadays / today / still / always.
<b>Past Simple</b>	Past forms: Regular verbs : <b>-ed</b> Irregular verbs (3rd column)	S + Verb ( past)) I played / <b>saw</b> he played / <b>saw</b>	S + Aux negative + verb ( <b>didn't</b> ) (infinitive) I <b>didn't</b> play / see he <b>didn't</b> play / see	(WH) + Aux + S + Verbo ? ( <b>did</b> ) (infinitive) When <b>did</b> you play / see ? <b>Did</b> he play / see?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ Past actions. (With a definite time expression)</li> <li>♦ Past habit or state.</li> </ul> <b>Time expressions :</b> Yesterday / last week... / two days ago / When / in 1967 / then.
<b>Past Continuous</b>	To <b>be</b> (past)+Verb ( <b>was / were</b> ) <b>-ing</b>	S + Aux ( <b>be</b> ) + verb ( <b>was/ were</b> ) ( <b>ing</b> ) You <b>were</b> reading He <b>was</b> reading	S + Aux negative + Verb ) ( <b>wasn't/weren't</b> ) <b>-ing</b> You <b>weren't</b> reading He <b>wasn't</b> reading	( WH) + Aux + S + V( <b>-ing</b> )? ( <b>was/were</b> ) What <b>were</b> you reading ? <b>Was</b> he reading ?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ Past action in progress.</li> <li>♦ Past action in progress interrupted by another past action ( past simple).</li> </ul> <b>Time expressions :</b> while / when /as
<b>Present Perfect Simple</b>	To <b>Have</b> + Past Part (3rd column)	S + Aux + Verb ( P. Partic) ( <b>have /has</b> ) I <b>have been</b> to London She <b>has bought</b> a car	S + Aux neg + V ( P. Part) ( <b>haven't/hasn't</b> ) I <b>haven't been</b> to London She <b>hasn't bought</b> a car	(Wh) + Aux + S + V(P.Part)? ( <b>have / has</b> ) Where <b>have</b> you <b>been</b> ? <b>Has</b> she <b>bought</b> a car ?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ Recently completed actions.</li> <li>♦ Past actions connected with the present.</li> <li>♦ Personal experiences. Emphasis on number.</li> </ul> <b>Time expressions :</b> already / yet / just / never / ever / so far /lately/ for / since / this week..

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<p><b>Present Perfect Continuous</b></p>	<p>To <b>Have + been + (-ing)</b></p>	<p>S+ Aux. + been V (-ing)  I <b>have been</b> running. She <b>has been</b> working.</p>	<p>S+ Aux. neg +been (-ing)  I <b>haven't been</b> running She <b>hasn't been</b> working</p>	<p>(WH)+ Aux+S+ been+ -ing ?  What <b>have</b> you <b>been</b> doing? <b>Has</b> she <b>been</b> working ?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recent past actions with present results.</li> <li>Actions started in the past and continuing up to the present ( with for /since).</li> <li>Emphasis on duration</li> </ul> <p><b>Time expressions :</b> How long / for /since</p>
<p><b>Past Perfect Simple</b></p>	<p><b>Had</b> +P. Participle</p>	<p>S+ Aux + Verb ( P. part ) <b>had</b>  They <b>had come</b> here She <b>had been</b> here</p>	<p>S + Aux negative + Verb <b>Hadn't</b> ( P.Part)  They <b>hadn't come</b> here She <b>hadn't been</b> here</p>	<p>(WH)+ Aux + S+ V( P.Part)?  Where <b>had</b> they <b>been</b>? <b>Had</b> she <b>been</b> there ?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Past action which happened before another past action.</li> <li>Complete past action which had visible results in the past.</li> </ul> <p><b>Time Expressions:</b> By the time / before / yet / already / after / just / for / since</p>
<p><b>Future Simple Will</b></p>	<p><b>Will</b> +Bare Infinitive</p>	<p>S+ Aux + Infinitive <b>will</b>  We <b>will</b> go to your party. She <b>will</b> be 20 tomorrow</p>	<p>S + Aux neg + Verb (infin) <b>won't</b>  We <b>won't</b> go to your party She <b>won't</b> be 20 tomorrow</p>	<p>(WH) + Aux+ S+ V (infin)? <b>will</b>  When <b>will</b> you buy the car? <b>will</b> you be 20 tomorrow?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Decisions taken at the moment of speaking.</li> <li>Predictions which may happen in the future.</li> <li>Offers , promises , requests.</li> </ul> <p><b>Time expressions :</b> Tomorrow / next week Tonight / in two days / soon / in a week... etc</p>
<p><b>Be going to</b></p>	<p><b>To be + Going to + Verb</b></p>	<p>He <b>is going to</b> buy a car</p>	<p>They <b>aren't going to</b> travel by plane.</p>	<p>When <b>are</b> you <b>going to</b> sell your house ? <b>Is</b> he <b>going to</b> clean his car?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Future plans or intentions.</li> <li>Predictions with evidence in the present.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Future Continuous</b></p>	<p><b>Will + be + -ing</b></p>	<p>I <b>will be working</b></p>	<p>She <b>won't be working</b></p>	<p><b>Will</b> you <b>be working</b> ?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Actions in progress at a stated future time.</li> <li>People's arrangements.</li> </ul> <p><b>Time expressions:</b> This time tomorrow/ next week / tonight / in three days ....</p>
<p><b>Future Perfect</b></p>	<p><b>Will + have + P.P</b></p>	<p>I <b>will have</b> finished my studies</p>	<p>She <b>won't have</b> finished.</p>	<p><b>Will</b> you <b>have</b> finished...?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Actions which will be finished before a stated future time.</li> </ul> <p><b>Time expressions:</b> By / by then / by the time</p>
<p><b>Conditional</b></p>	<p><b>Would + infinitive simple conditional</b> <b>Would +have +P.P</b> Perfect conditiona</p>	<p>I <b>would</b> go  I <b>would</b> have gone</p>	<p>I <b>wouldn't</b> go  I <b>wouldn't have</b> gone</p>	<p><b>Would</b> you go...?  <b>Would</b> you <b>have</b> gone...?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Simple conditional : Unreal situations</li> <li>Perfect conditional : Impossible past situations</li> </ul>
<p><b>Passive</b></p>	<p><b>Be + Past Participle</b></p>	<p>The windows <b>are cleaned</b> Hamlet <b>was written</b> by ..</p>	<p><b>Are</b> the windows <b>cleaned</b> ? <b>Was</b> Hamlet <b>written</b> by ?</p>	<p>The windows <b>aren't cleaned</b> Hamlet <b>wasn't written</b> by..</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When the action is more important than the doer ( it's unknown, unimportant or obvious)</li> </ul>

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