

# TENSES



Tense	Indicators	Use	Form	Examples affirmative	Examples negative	Examples interrogative
Simple Present	every day sometimes always often usually never	Something that happens Repeatedly. Habitual action. General, natural and scientific... facts.	<b>Infinitive</b> he/she/it + <b>-s</b>	I <b>work</b> . He <b>works</b> . I <b>go</b> . He <b>goes</b> .	I <b>don't work</b> . He <b>doesn't work</b> . I <b>don't go</b> . He <b>doesn't go</b> .	<b>Do</b> I <b>work</b> ? <b>Does</b> he <b>work</b> ? <b>Do</b> I <b>go</b> ? <b>Does</b> he <b>go</b> ?
Present Progressive	now at the moment Look! Listen!	An action occurring at the moment of speaking or around it. Future meaning: when you have already decided and arranged to do it (a fixed plan, date...)	<b>Be (am/is/are) + Verb + ing</b>	I'm <b>working</b> . He's <b>working</b> . I'm <b>going</b> . He's <b>going</b> .	I'm <b>not working</b> . He <b>isn't working</b> . I'm <b>not going</b> . He <b>isn't going</b> .	<b>Am</b> I <b>working</b> ? <b>Is</b> he <b>working</b> ? <b>Am</b> I <b>going</b> ? <b>Is</b> he <b>going</b> ?
Present Perfect	just yet never ever already  so far, up to now, since for recently	An action started in the past and continues up to the present. Event in the past at an unspecified time. Repeated event in the past until now. Change over time. Uncompleted action that is expected to happen.	<b>have/has + Past participle</b>	I <b>have worked</b> . He <b>has worked</b> . I <b>have gone</b> . He <b>has gone</b> .	I <b>haven't worked</b> . He <b>hasn't worked</b> . I <b>haven't gone</b> . He <b>hasn't gone</b> .	<b>Have</b> I <b>worked</b> ? <b>Has</b> he <b>worked</b> ? <b>Have</b> I <b>gone</b> ? <b>Has</b> he <b>gone</b> ?

<b>Present Perfect Progressive</b>	all day the whole day how long since for	Action began in the past and is still going on. Actions happening recently.	<b>have/has</b> + <b>Been</b> + <b>Verb + -ing</b>	I <b>have been working</b> . He <b>has been working</b> . I <b>have been going</b> . He <b>has been going</b> .	I <b>haven't been working</b> . He <b>hasn't been working</b> . I <b>haven't been going</b> . He <b>hasn't been going</b> .	<b>Have I been working?</b> <b>Has</b> he <b>been working</b> ? <b>Have I been going?</b> <b>Has</b> he <b>been going</b> ?
<b>Simple Past</b>	last ... ... ago in 1990 yesterday	Action took place in the past, at a time mentioned in the past. Mostly connected with an expression of time. A completed action in the past. Habits in the past.	<b>Regular Verb + ed</b>  <b>Irregular Verb</b>	I <b>worked</b> . He <b>worked</b> . I <b>went</b> . He <b>went</b> .	I <b>didn't work</b> . He <b>didn't work</b> . I <b>didn't go</b> . He <b>didn't go</b> .	<b>Did I work?</b> <b>Did</b> he <b>work</b> ? <b>Did I go?</b> <b>Did</b> he <b>go</b> ?
<b>Past Progressive</b>	while	An action happened and interrupted another action which was going on. Someone was doing something at a certain time (in the past) - you don't know whether it was finished or not.	<b>was/were</b> + <b>Verb + -ing</b>	I <b>was working</b> . He <b>was working</b> . I <b>was going</b> . He <b>was going</b> .	I <b>wasn't working</b> . He <b>wasn't working</b> . I <b>wasn't going</b> . He <b>wasn't going</b> .	<b>Was I working?</b> <b>Was</b> he <b>working</b> ? <b>Was I going?</b> <b>Was</b> he <b>going</b> ?
<b>Past Perfect</b>	already just never	A completed past action, before another past action. The past of the Present Perfect	<b>Had</b> + <b>Past participle</b>	I <b>had worked</b> . He <b>had worked</b> . I <b>had gone</b> . He <b>had gone</b> .	I <b>hadn't worked</b> . He <b>hadn't worked</b> . I <b>hadn't gone</b> . He <b>hadn't gone</b> .	<b>Had I worked?</b> <b>Had</b> he <b>worked</b> ? <b>Had I gone?</b> <b>Had</b> he <b>gone</b> ?

<b>Past Perfect Progressive</b>	how long since for	An action had been happening before something else happened Duration before something in the past.	<b>had + been</b> + <b>Verb + ing</b>	I <b>had been working</b> . He <b>had been working</b> . I <b>had been going</b> . He <b>had been going</b> .	I <b>hadn't been working</b> . He <b>hadn't been working</b> . I <b>hadn't been going</b> . He <b>hadn't been going</b> .	<b>Had I been working?</b> <b>Had he been working?</b> <b>Had I been going?</b> <b>Had he been going?</b>
<b>Will - Future</b>		Willingness Future facts. Predictions about the future (you think that sth will happen)	<b>will + Verb</b>	I' <b>ll work</b> . He' <b>ll work</b> . I' <b>ll go</b> . He' <b>ll go</b> .	I <b>won't work</b> . He <b>won't work</b> . I <b>won't go</b> . He <b>won't go</b> .	<b>Will I work?</b> <b>Will he work?</b> <b>Will I go?</b> <b>Will he go?</b>
<b>Going to - Future</b>		when you have already decided to do sth. in the future what you think what will happen Intention.	<b>be (am/are/is)</b> + <b>going to + Verb</b>	I' <b>m going to work</b> . He' <b>s going to work</b> . I' <b>m going to go</b> . He' <b>s going to go</b> .	I' <b>m not going to work</b> . He' <b>s not going to work</b> . I' <b>m not going to go</b> . He' <b>s not going to go</b> .	<b>Am I going to work?</b> <b>Is he going to work?</b> <b>Am I going to go?</b> <b>Is he going to go?</b>
<b>Future Progressive</b>		An action will be in progress at a certain time in the future. This action has begun before the certain time. Something happens because it normally happens.	<b>will + be</b> + <b>Verb + ing</b>	I' <b>ll be working</b> . He' <b>ll be working</b> . I' <b>ll be going</b> . He' <b>ll be going</b> .	I <b>won't be working</b> . He <b>won't be working</b> . I <b>won't be going</b> . He <b>won't be going</b> .	<b>Will I be working?</b> <b>Will he be working?</b> <b>Will I be going?</b> <b>Will he be going?</b>

Future Perfect Simple		Sth. will already have happened before a certain time in the future	<b>will + have</b> + <b>past participle</b>	I'll <b>have worked</b> . He'll <b>have worked</b> . I'll <b>have gone</b> . He'll <b>have gone</b> .	I <b>won't have worked</b> . He <b>won't have worked</b> . I <b>won't have gone</b> . He <b>won't have gone</b> .	<b>Will I have worked?</b> <b>Will he have worked?</b> <b>Will I have gone?</b> <b>Will he have gone?</b>
Future Perfect Progressive		Sth. will already have happened before a certain time in the future Emphasis: length of time of an action	<b>will + have + been</b> + <b>Verb + ing</b>	I'll <b>have been working</b> . He'll <b>have been working</b> . I'll <b>have been going</b> . He'll <b>have been going</b> .	I <b>won't have been working</b> . He <b>won't have been working</b> . I <b>won't have been going</b> . He <b>won't have been going</b> .	<b>Will I have been working?</b> <b>Will he have been working?</b> <b>Will I have been going?</b> <b>Will he have been going?</b>
Conditional Simple		Sth. that might happen. Main clause in type II of the if clauses	<b>would + Verb</b>	I <b>would work</b> . He <b>would work</b> . I <b>would go</b> . He <b>would go</b> .	I <b>wouldn't work</b> . He <b>wouldn't work</b> . I <b>wouldn't go</b> . He <b>wouldn't go</b> .	<b>Would I work?</b> <b>Would he work?</b> <b>Would I go?</b> <b>Would he go?</b>
Conditional Progressive		Sth. that might happen	<b>would + be</b> + <b>Verb + ing</b>	I <b>would be working</b> . He <b>would be working</b> . I <b>would be going</b> . He <b>would be going</b> .	I <b>wouldn't be working</b> . He <b>wouldn't be working</b> . I <b>wouldn't be going</b> . He <b>wouldn't be going</b> .	<b>Would I be working?</b> <b>Would he be working?</b> <b>Would I be going?</b> <b>Would he be going?</b>

Conditional Perfect		sth. that might have happened in the past (It's too late now.) main clause in type III of the if clauses	<b>would + have</b> + <b>past participle</b>	I <b>would have worked</b> . He <b>would have worked</b> . I <b>would have gone</b> . He <b>would have gone</b> .	I <b>wouldn't have worked</b> . He <b>wouldn't have worked</b> . I <b>wouldn't have gone</b> . He <b>wouldn't have gone</b> .	<b>Would I have worked?</b> <b>Would he have worked?</b> <b>Would I have gone?</b> <b>Would he have gone?</b>
Conditional Perfect Progressive		sth. that might have happened in the past (It's too late now.)	<b>would + have+been</b> + <b>Verb+ ing</b>	I <b>would have been working</b> . He <b>would have been going</b> . I <b>would have been going</b> . He <b>would have been going</b> .	I <b>wouldn't have been working</b> . He <b>wouldn't have been going</b> . I <b>wouldn't have been going</b> . He <b>wouldn't have been going</b> .	<b>Would I have been working?</b> <b>Would he have been working?</b> <b>Would I have been going?</b> <b>Would he have been going?</b>