

ENGLISH TENSES

Present • Present Progressive • Past tense • Past Progressive

Present Perfect • Present Perfect Continuous

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Twelve Tenses

- Present Tense
- Present Continuous Tense
- Present Perfect Tense
- Present Perfect Continuous Tense
- Past Tense
- Past Continuous Tense
- Past Perfect Tense
- Past Perfect Continuous Tense

Continued...

- Simple Future Tense
- Future Continuous Tense
- Future Perfect Tense
- Future Perfect continuous Tense

(Simple present tense)

:shows regular actions

Affirmative sentences

Sub+verb+com

- I go to Kardan University everyday.
- We watch T.V every night.
- They play tennis every week.
- You meet your friends always.
- She walks every morning.
- He washes his clothes usually.
- It rains here frequently.
- Fatima irons the clothes every month.
- Jawed writes an article every year.

Negative sentences

Sub+don't/doesn't+verb+com

- I don't go to Kardan University everyday.
- We don't watch T.V every night.
- They don't play tennis every week.
- You don't meet your friends always.
- She doesn't walk every morning.
- He doesn't wash his clothes usually.
- It doesn't rain here frequently.
- Fatima doesn't iron the clothes every month.
- Jawed doesn't write an article every year.

Questions

- Do/does+sub+verb+com?
- Do I go to Kardan University everyday?
- Do we watch T.V every night?
- Do they play tennis every week?
- Do you meet your friends always?
- Does she walk every morning?
- Does he wash his clothes usually?
- Does it rain here frequently?
- Does Fatima iron the clothes every month?
- Does Jawed write an article every year?

Present Progressive / Continuous

- Shows an action which is happening right now.
- **Affirmative sentences** (sub+is/am/are+verbing+com)
- I am going to Kardan University right now.
- We are watching T.V.
- They are playing tennis.
- You are meeting your friends.
- She is walking in the park.
- He is washing his clothes.
- It is raining here.
- Fatima is ironing her clothes.

Negative sentences

- sub+is/am/are+not+verbing+com
- I am not going to Kardan University right now.
- We are not watching T.V.
- They are not playing tennis.
- You are not meeting your friends.
- She is not walking in the park.
- He is not washing his clothes.
- It is not raining here.
- Fatima is not ironing her clothes.

Questions

- Is/am/are+sub+verbing+com
- Am I going to Kardan University right now?
- Are we watching T.V?
- Are they playing tennis?
- Are you meeting your friends?
- Is she walking in the park?
- Is he washing his clothes?
- Is it raining here?
- Is Fatima ironing her clothes?

Simple past tense

:shows the past action.

- **Affirmative sentences** (sub+2nd verb+com)
- I visited Herat last year.
- She finished the lesson at 9.
- They arrived, ate, and left.
- He wrote his homework.
- We slept last night.
- Mohammad understood my lecture.

Negative sentences

- **Sub+did+not+1st verb+com**
- I did not visit Herat last year.
- She did not finish the lesson at 9.
- They did not arrive.
- He did not write his homework.
- We did not sleep last night.
- Mohammad did not understand my lecture.

Questions

- **Did+sub+1st verb+com?**
- Did I visit Herat last year?
- Did she finish the lesson at 9?
- Did they arrive?
- Did he write his homework?
- Did we sleep last night?
- Did Mohammad understand my lecture?

Past Progressive / Continuous

:shows a continuous action in past time

- Affirmative sentences (Sub+ was/were + V-ing)
- I was reading at 8 p.m.
- She was cooking when I called.
- They were talking while I was working.
- We were playing football.

Negative: Sub + was/were not + V-ing

- I was not reading at 8 p.m.
- She was not cooking when I called.
- They were not talking while I was working.
- We were not playing football.

Question: Was/Were + Sub + V-ing?

- Was I reading at 8 p.m.?
- Was she cooking when I called?
- Were they talking while I was working?
- Were we playing football?

Present Perfect Tense

:past action in unspecific time

- **Affirmative sentences : Sub + have/has + V3**

I have finished my work.
She has visited Kabul twice.
They have taken the test.

We have started new business.

Since (from the start of the action till now)

I have been sick since last night

She has been in Kabul since march

They have been happy since 2020.

for(duration of the action)

We have been married for ten years.

I have worked here for nine months.

We have watch cricket for two hours.

Negative: Sub + have/has not + V3

I have not finished my work.

She has not visited Kabul twice.

They have not taken the test.

We have not started new business.

Question: Have/Has + Sub + V3

Have I finished my work?

Has he visited Kabul twice?

Have they taken the test?

Have we started new business?

Present Perfect Continuous

- Shows an action that started in the past and continues until now
- **Affirmative: S + have/has been + V-ing**
 - I have been teaching for two hours.
 - She has been studying since morning.
 - they have been sleeping since 10 o'clock.

Negative : Sub + have/has not been + V-ing

- I have not been teaching for two hours.
- She has not been studying since morning.
- They have not been sleeping since 10 o'clock.

Question: Have/Has + Sub + been + V-ing?

- Have I been teaching for two hours.
- Has she been studying since morning.
- Have we been sleeping since 10 o'clock.

Practice 1 — Choose the Correct Tense

- 1. She _____ (teach) English every day.
- 2. Listen! The students _____ (talk).
- 3. We _____ (visit) Bamyan last summer.
- 4. At 9 p.m. yesterday, I _____ (study).
- 5. I _____ (finish) my assignment already.
- 6. They _____ (work) since morning.

Practice 2 — Correct the Mistakes

- 1. She don't like coffee.
- 2. I am study English now.
- 3. Did you went to class yesterday?
- 4. They was watching a movie.
- 5. He has went home.
- 6. We have been learn English for two years.

Communicative Practice

PAIR WORK

Ask your partner:

- What do you usually do every day?
- What are you doing now?
- What did you do yesterday?
- What were you doing at 8 p.m.?
- What have you done this week?
- How long have you been studying English?

Exit Ticket

- Write five sentence in each of the six tenses.

Great work! — Review the six tense patterns before the next lesson.