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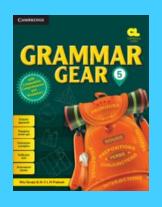




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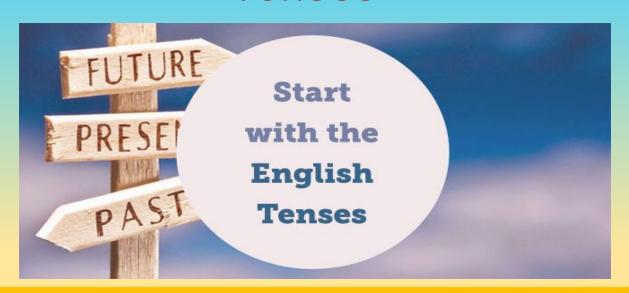
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GRAMMAR GEAR GRADE 5

Chapter 7. The Simple & Continuous Tenses



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TENSES: MEANING

It denotes the time an action takes place, whether sometime in the past, in the present or will take some time in the future.

There are three tenses:

The Present Tense

The Past Tense

The Future Tense.



➤ Each of the three tenses has four forms or subdivisions to show continuity or completeness of the action and time. These are:

- 1. Simple
- 2. Continuous
- 3. Perfect
- **4** Perfect Continuous



THE SIMPLE TENSE



The Simple Present Tense Usage

The Simple Present tense is used to express:

1. repeated or regular actions in the present time period. Example: I take the train to the office.

2. universal facts.

Example: The sun **rises** in the east.

3. habits.

Example: I get up early every day.

4. things that are always / generally true.

Example: Honey is sweet.

5. future events that are part of a time table.

Example: The match **starts** at 9 o'clock.



SIMPLE PRESENT TENSE STRUCTURE

Simple Present Tense with "TO BE" (am/is/are)

/Number Person	Singular	Plural
First	I am a good cricket player.	We are good cricket players.
Second	You are an irresponsible person.	You all are always irresponsible.
Third	The earth is smaller than Jupiter.	Junk foods are not good for health.

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Simple Present Tense with Other Verbs

We form the Simple Present using the root form of the Verb.

Subject

I

You

Verb
speak
live

Complement english in a house



Structure

I <u>write</u> letters



I sleep every night





I <u>eat</u> carrots

I <u>dance</u> on Saturdays





In the 3rd singular person (He, She, It) we add **-S** at the end of the verb.

Ex: She works in an office
He reads the newspaper
It plays with a ball





She lives in Japan.

He reads the newspaper.





Jane drinks coffee.

James works in a Restaurant.





For Verbs that end in O – CH – SH – SS – X – Z we add – ES

Go - Goes

Watch - Watches

Brush - Brushes

Fix - Fixes

Buzz - Buzz<u>es</u>



The bee buzzes around the flower.









She washes the dishes.

The Princess kisses a frog.





For Verbs that end in a consonant + Y we replace the Y with **– IES**

Study- Studies

Carry - Carries

Worry - Worries



The baby cries loudly.





The bird **flies** very high.



Rhea dries her hair.

She studies medicine.





For Verbs that end in a vowel + Y we just add -S

Play - Plays

Buy - Buys

Pay - Pays

Enjoy - Enjoys





Ram pays the bills every month.

She **buys** flowers to decorate the house.





Jiya enjoys reading very much.



He plays the piano.



The Simple Past Tense Usage

The Simple Past is used to express:

1. Completed Action in the Past

Example : I **saw** a movie yesterday.

2. Habits in the Past

Example : I **studied** French when I was a child.



STRUCTURE OF SIMPLE PAST TENSE

Simple Past Tense with "TO BE" (was/were)

I, he/she/it	was	here.
You, we, they	were	in London.

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STRUCTURE OF SIMPLE PAST TENSE

Simple Past Tense with Other Verbs

Subject +V2 +Object.

I	walked	to the store yesterday.
We	played	football last night.
They	played	football last night.

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The Simple Future Tense Usage

The simple future tense is used for an action that will take place at particular time in the future.

STRUCTURE OF SIMPLE FUTURE TENSE

Subject +will/shall +V1+Object.

- 1. We **shall move** to another city.
- 2. He will come to New York tomorrow.



THE CONTINUOUSTENSE



Present Continuous Tense Usage

Present continuous tense can be used to express something happening right now.

STRUCTURE OF PRESENT CONTINUOUS

Subject +Is/Am/Are +V1+ing +Object.

- 1. She <u>is crying</u>.
- 2. He is talking to his friend.
- 3. The baby **is sleeping** in his crib.



Past Continuous Tense Usage

The past continuous tense is used for an action which was happening at a particular time in the past.

STRUCTURE OF PAST CONTINUOUS TENSE

Subject +was/were +V1 + ing +Object.

- 1. They were playing football in that field.
- 2. She was drinking coffee in that coffee shop.



Future Continuous Tense Usage

➤ The future continuous tense is used to express an action which will be in progress at a particular time in the future.

STRUCTURE OF FUTURE CONTINUOUS TENSE

Subject +will/shall +be +V1 + ing + Object

- 1. I shall be sleeping at around 6.00 AM tomorrow.
- 2. They will be playing at this time tomorrow.





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