

- Past tense refers to the action that happened in the past time.

1. Simple Past tense ⇒

Subject + V₂ + Object

Ex → Neeta walked to school.
I went to park yesterday.

2. Past continuous / Progressive ⇒

Subject + was/were + V₁ + ing + object

Ex:- She was working in the office.
We were watching T.V.

3. Past Perfect tense ⇒

Sub + had + V₂ + object

Ex:- ~~Also~~, we had gone to purse yesterday.

Rohan had visited the zoo the last week.

4. Past Perfect Continuous -

Subject + had + been + V₁ + ing + object

Ex:- They had been working here for 2 years.

FUTURE TENSE

Future tense refers to the action that ~~will~~ will happen in future.

- Simpler Future
Here the action hasn't happened yet.

- Structure - S + V

[Subject + am/is/are going to + verb]

Ex - It is going to rain.

I am going to the shop.

- Structure - S + V

[Subject + will/shall + v, + object]

Ex:- I shall ask my friend to help me.

We will go to market tomorrow.

Future Continuous -

Here the action will occur and continue for a time in future.

[Subject + will be + v, + ing]

Ex - I will be going to work tomorrow.

She will be moving house next month.

3. Future Perfect

Hence the action will be completed in future.

Sub + will have + v₃ + obj

Ex - I will have finished my homework tomorrow.

They will have arrived tomorrow.

4. Future Perfect Continuous

Hence the action will continue up until a point in future.

Sub + will have been + v_{ing} + obj

Ex - I ~~do~~ will have been working in this house for 10 years.

3. I was waiting for you in the auditorium away from all the activity.
4. Granny wore her favourite red sari to the wedding.
5. Ann had left the house when her sister telephoned.
6. Tara had learnt to skate by the time she was eight.
7. She was watering the plants while I was mending the fence.
8. Timothy was praised for his sincerity.
9. He politely rejected the proposal for the new shop.
10. The mother was comforting her child while the nurse was cleaning the wound.

past progressive
 simple past
 past perfect
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H. Fill in the blanks with the simple past or past progressive tense of the verbs.

1. I misunderstood what the tourist was asking me. misunderstand ask
2. When Santa Claus entered the class, the children were greeting him joyfully. enter greet
3. The last time I saw Ashish, he was playing carom with his mother. see play
4. The soldiers asked to leave for their training. ask
5. When I met her last year, she was learning to play the guitar. meet learn
6. Amrita decorated the Christmas tree and gave everyone a surprise. decorate give
7. Mohit studies in his parents' room, when the lights was going out. study go
8. On my last birthday I bought a tennis racquet. buy
9. When I left the stadium, the players had already reached. reach leave
10. After she received the award, Smriti was shedding tears of joy. receive shed

I. Fill in the blanks with the simple past or the past perfect tense of the verbs in boxes.

1. The train had left when we reached the station. leave reach
2. Maya had nursed the injured bird but no one knew about it. nurse know

3. The mechanic had repaired the bike before its owner arrived to collect it.
 repair arrive
4. Gautam had eaten all the biscuits before the others had any.
 eat have
5. When Asha opened the envelope, she noticed that the seal was broken;
 someone had opened it before. open open
6. It had started to drizzle when Anita left for home. start leave
7. Salim had written a letter before he left for Kolkata. write leave
8. Soma had completed only half the work when her mother returned home.
 complete return
9. Before Jaspreet realised it, the cat had run off with the ball of wool.
 realize run
10. The passengers had boarded the flight before it began to snow.
 board begin

TALKING ABOUT THE FUTURE

The SIMPLE FUTURE TENSE is used to refer to an action that is yet to take place.

If you ask Rahul, he will certainly help you.

We shall meet in the canteen tomorrow.

I am going to help them if I can.

The FUTURE PROGRESSIVE TENSE is used to refer to an action that will be going on at some time in the future.

When I reach home, mother will be doing yoga.

By this time next year, I shall be writing another book.

The FUTURE PERFECT TENSE is used to refer to the completion of an action by a certain future time.