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Simple Past

Structure: Subject + Verb (V2) or irregular verb

Example:

- You **played** the game.
- She **visited** me yesterday.
- He **read** the newspaper.
- Teacher **taught** a new lesson.

Past Continuous

Structure: Subject + was/were + Verb+ing

Example:

- He **was cooking** the lunch.
- I **was going** to the park for a morning walk.
- We **were eating** carrots.
- They **were fighting** when I came.

Past Perfect

Structure: Subject + had + Verb (V3)

Example:

- I **had finished** my homework.
- She **had completed** her task.
- He **had gone** to Pune when I called him.
- You **had eaten** the chocolate.

Past Perfect Continuous

Structure: Subject + had + been + Verb+ing

Example:

- The child **had been studying** since morning.
- She **had been drafting** the plan for a meeting for two hours.
- I **had been playing** my favorite game.
- They **had been living** in Pune about ten years.

Simple Present

Structure: Subject + Verb (es/s for third person)

Example:

- I **play** a game every day.
- She **studies** in school.
- Water **freezes** at 0c.
- They **do not eat** ice cream daily.

Present Continuous

Structure: Subject + am/is/are + Verb + ing

Example:

- We **are eating** tomatoes.
- She **is paying** bills now.
- The cook **is making** a sponge cake right now.
- The police **are catching** the thief.

Present Perfect

Structure: Subject + has/have + Verb (V3)

Example:

- She **has painted** this colorful chart.
- I **have completed** my assignment.
- He **has gone** to the hill station.
- We **have lived** in this house since 2017.

Present Perfect Continuous

Structure: Subject+ has/have + been + Verb+ing

Example:

- The farmer **has been planting** since morning.
- She **has been working** in this area **since** 2017.
- I **have been travelling**.
- He **has been watching** TV for **two** hours.

Simple Future

Structure : Subject + will/shall+ Verb(V1)

Example:

- I **shall go** to the park for a walk.
- She **will perform** her duty.
- Doctor **will attend** the meeting tomorrow.
- It **will be** Sunday tomorrow.

Future Continuous

Structure : Subject+will be/shall be+Verb+ing

Example:

- We **shall be eating** the meal.
- It **will be raining** all day tomorrow.
- She **will be learning** French.
- I **will be attending** a webinar **next Monday**.

Future Perfect

Structure : Subject + will have + Verb(V3)

Example:

- He **will have locked** the door.
- She **will have studied** the grammar rules.
- Teacher **will have taken** the exam.
- I **will have been** in this hospital until tomorrow morning.

Future Perfect Continuous

Structure : Subject + will have been + Verb+ing

Example:

- I **will have been watching** the match **for** over one hour.
- It **will have been raining** all day long.
- He **will have been enjoying** the holidays.
- Madam **will have been teaching** English since morning.

	PAST	PRESENT	FUTURE
SIMPLE	S+V2+O I wrote a story yesterday.	S+V1+O I write a story every week.	S+will+V+O I will write a story tomorrow.
CONTINUOUS	S+'was/were'+V+ing+O I was writing a story when you arrived.	S+am/is/are+V+ing+O I am writing a story right now.	S+ will be+V+ing+O I will be writing a story when you arrive.
PERFECT	S+had+V3+O I had written a story when you arrived.	S+have/has+V3+O I have written a story.	S+will have+V3+O I will have written a story by the time you arrive.
PERFECT CONTINUOUS	S+had been+V+ing+O I had been writing a story for one hour when you arrived.	S+have been+V+ing+O I have been writing a story for one hour.	S+will have been+V+ing+O I will have been writing a story for one hour when you arrive.

Legend :S = Subject, O= Object, V= Verb(V1=Present,V2=Past,V3=Past participle)