

SUMMARY OF VERB TENSES

	PAST			PRESENT			FUTURE		
	Structure	Uses	Time expression	Structure	Uses	Time expression	Structure	Uses	Time expression
	- S + V _{ed}	- Action happened and ended in the past - Chain of action	Yesterday, at that time, in (time), the other day, last (time), (time) ago, those days	- I, you, we, they + V - He, she, it + V _{es}	- Habits - Permanent state - Truth - Timetable	- Adverbs of frequency - Every (time), in/on/at (time), once/twice (time) - Generally, in general.	- S + will + V	- Possible action in the future - Decision made at time of speaking - Promises, hope, regrets. - Predictions	- Tomorrow, next(time), in (time)
Continuous	- S + was/were + V _{ing}	- Action in progress at a time in the past - Action in progress when another action happened - Two action happened at the same time	- While - At (time) - When (time clause)	- S + is/am/are + V _{ing}	- Action that is in progress - Plan - Note: Stative verbs	- At the moment, for the time being, now, right now. - This (time)	- S + will + be + V _{ing}	- Action in progress at a time in the future	- This time next week/year/... - When (time clause)
Perfect	- S + had + V _{ed}	- Action happened before a time or another action in the past	- Already, just. - By (time), by the time + - When	- S + have/has + V _{ed}	- Action in the past (no time) - Experience - Action with results in the present	- Already, yet, just, yet, ever. - Once, twice - Lately, recently, so far, - For, since. - Before, never	- S + will + have + V _{ed}	- Action that will be completed before a time or another action in the future	- By (time), by the time (action)