

Tense	Form	Example	Meaning	Representation	Words that may accompany.
Present simple	To verbs (for the singular)	a) It snows in Alaska. d) I watch TV every day.	a) General truth/statement. b) Habit.		Always, usually, habitually...
Present continuous	Be (present) + verb (ING)	a) It's raining. b) The population is rising very fast.	a) Action taking place around the time of speaking. b) Changing situation.		Now, today ...
Present perfect	Have/has (+ verb past participle)	I have never been to London.	Past action/event related to the present. (focus on the result.)		It's the first time, just, since (+date), for (+period), yet, ever, never...
Present perfect progressive	Have (or has) been + verb (ING)	a) My back aches because I've been carrying the car. b) We've been waiting a time. c) She's been reading a book.	a) Action in the past, result in the present. b) Focus on the action. c) Action continuing up to the present.		Since, for, over (+period)...
Past simple	(regular) verb + ED or (irregular) verb in the past.	a) they watched TV yesterday. b) He went to New York last year.	Complete action/event in the past.		Last night/year/month... yesterday, previously...
Past continuous	Was/were + verb + ING	a) He was sleeping when I arrived. b) They were dining.	a) An action was in progress in the past when another happened in the middle of it. b) It's done/finished if the action finished.		While, when, as ...
Past perfect	Had + verb (past participle)	He had finished his homework when I burst into his room.	Two actions in the past happening one before the other.		Already...
Past perfect progressive	Had been + verb + ING	It had been raining all night.	We use it to say how long something had been happening before something else happened.		
Future with "will"	Will + verb (in the base infinitive)	a) watch your steps or you'll fall. b) I'll have a lemonade.	a) prediction. b) Decision taken at the time of speaking.		Probably, sure, think, expect ...
Future with "going to"	Be (+ the present) + going to (+adverbial of time)	a) It's raining that clouds. It's going to rain. b) I'm going to fly to Spain next summer.	a) Evidence. b) Intention/decision already taken previously.		Adverbial of time. (tonight, tomorrow...)
Future with the continuous form.	Present continuous + adverbial of time.	Alex is getting married next month.	Planning/arrangement.		Adverbial of time.

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