

Verb Tenses

Practice present, past, and future forms across key tenses.

Quick Reference

Tense	Form	Example
Present simple	base / -s	She walks to school.
Present continuous	am/is/are + -ing	They are eating now.
Past simple	verb-ed / irregular	He walked home.
Past continuous	was/were + -ing	I was sleeping.
Future simple	will + base	It will rain tomorrow.
Present perfect	have/has + past participle	She has finished her work.

Exercise 1 — Name the tense

Write the name of the verb tense used in each sentence.

1. She is reading a book right now.

Tense: _____

2. They visited Paris last summer.

Tense: _____

3. He has already eaten his dinner.

Tense: _____

4. We will call you tomorrow.

Tense: _____

5. I was studying when the phone rang.

Tense: _____

6. The sun rises in the east.

Tense: _____

Exercise 2 — Correct verb form

Put the verb in brackets into the correct tense.

1. By the time we arrived, she _____ (already / leave).

Answer: _____

2. Look! It _____ (rain) outside!

Answer: _____

3. I _____ (never / visit) Australia.

Answer: _____

4. She _____ (call) you tomorrow morning.

Answer: _____

5. We _____ (watch) TV when the lights went out.

Answer: _____

6. He _____ (walk) to school every day.

Answer: _____

Exercise 3 — Multiple choice

Circle the correct option.

1. ___ you mind passing the salt?

- a) Would
- b) Do
- c) Could
- d) Will

2. She suggested he ___ a doctor.

- a) sees
- b) see
- c) saw
- d) had seen

3. Neither the students nor the teacher ___ ready.

- a) were
- b) was
- c) are
- d) been

4. If I ___ you, I would apologise.

- a) am
- b) was
- c) were
- d) be

TIP Use the past perfect (had + past participle) for an action completed before another past action. For habits and routines, use the present simple.