

**Learning Outcome (LO) EC1023:**

Uses grammatical items as cues for reading comprehension such as tense, reported speech, conjunctions, and punctuation.

Tenses**Fill in the blanks with the correct form of verb:**

1. I and my friends _____ to blame. (was, were)
2. They _____ yesterday. (come, came)
3. I _____ Shimla last summer. (visit, visited)
4. He _____ a tiger before I reached the forest. (kill, had killed)
5. The peon was _____ the bell. (ring, ringing)
6. The jury _____ divided in their opinion. (was, were)
7. Either Rajinder or his parents _____ responsible for this. (was, were)
8. I _____ this house last year. (bought, have bought)
9. The teacher _____ delivering the lecture. (was, were)
10. She _____ a sweater before I bought a new one. (knit, had knitted)
11. Slow and steady _____ the race. (win, wins)
12. Good crockery _____ expensive. (is, are)
13. He _____ regularly. (work, works)
14. One of the girls _____ writing a letter. (is, are)
15. Oil and water _____ mix. (does not, do not)

