

# TENSE CHART WITH EXAMPLES



| Tense                      | Rule                            | Example                                        |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| Present Simple             | V1                              | I eat food.                                    |
| Present Continuous         | is/am/are + V1 + ing            | I am eating food.                              |
| Present Perfect            | has/have + V3                   | I have eaten food.                             |
| Present Perfect Continuous | has/have been + V1 + ing        | I have been eating food.                       |
| Past Simple                | V2                              | I ate food yesterday .                         |
| Past Continuous            | was/were + V1 + ing             | I was eating food.                             |
| Past Perfect               | had + V3                        | I had eaten food before you arrived.           |
| Past Perfect Continuous    | had been + V1 + ing             | I had been eating food when you arrived.       |
| Future Simple              | will/shall + V1                 | I will eat food.                               |
| Future Continuous          | will/shall be + V1 + ing        | I will be eating food when you arrive.         |
| Future Perfect             | will/shall have + V3            | I will have eaten food by lunchtime.           |
| Future Perfect Continuous  | will/shall have been + V1 + ing | I will have been eating food until you arrive. |



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|     | Tenses                                        | Formula                                                    | Example                                                          |
|-----|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 01. | Simple Present Tense                          | Subject + Base Verb (s/es for third person)                | Tom <b>eats</b> apple.                                           |
| 02. | Present Continuous/ Progressive Tense         | Subject + is/am/are + Present Participle                   | Toms <b>is eating</b> the apples.                                |
| 03. | Present Perfect Tense                         | Subject + Has/have + Past Participle                       | Tom <b>has eaten</b> the apples.                                 |
| 04. | Present Perfect Continuous/ Progressive Tense | Subject + Has/have + been + Present Participle + since/for | Tom <b>has been eating</b> apples for 15 minutes.                |
| 05. | Simple Past Tense                             | Subject + Verb(+ed) or irregular verb                      | Tom <b>ate</b> an apple.                                         |
| 06. | Past Continuous Tense                         | Subject + was/were + Present Participle                    | Tom <b>was eating</b> the apples.                                |
| 07. | Past Perfect Tense                            | Subject + had + Past Participle                            | Tom <b>had eaten</b> the apples.                                 |
| 08. | Past Perfect Continuous Tense                 | Subject + had + been + Present Participle                  | Tom <b>had been eating</b> the apples.                           |
| 09. | Simple Future Tense                           | Subject+ will/shall+ Base Verb                             | Tom <b>will eat</b> apples.                                      |
| 10. | Future Continuous Tense                       | Subject + will/shall be + Present Participle               | Tom <b>will be eating</b> apples.                                |
| 11. | Future Perfect Tense                          | Subject + will have + Past Participle                      | Tom <b>will have eaten</b> apples before I came.                 |
| 12. | Future Perfect Continuous/ Progressive Tense  | Subject + will have been + present participle + since/for  | Tom <b>will have been eating</b> apples for many days.           |
| 13. | Past Future Tense                             | Subject + would + base verb                                | Tom told that he <b>would eat</b> apples in one hour.            |
| 14. | Past Future Continuous Tense                  | Subj + should/would be + present participle                | Tom told that he <b>would be eating</b> apples all the day long. |
| 15. | Past Future Perfect Tense                     | Subj.+ should / would have + past participle               | Tom said that he <b>would have eaten</b> apples.                 |
| 16. | Past Future Perfect Continuous Tense          | Subject + would have been + present participle             | Tom said that he <b>would have been eating</b> apples.           |



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