



## GRAMMAR PRESENT, PAST and FUTURE TENSES NOTES



The **tense** of a verb shows the time of the action, or when something happens. For example: **past tense**, **present tense** or **future tense**.

### PAST TENSE:

Verbs in the **past tense** show action that has already happened.

**TIP:** Most of these verbs end in ed.

Example: Jermaine washed the dog yesterday.



### PRESENT TENSE:

Verbs in the **present tense** show action that happens now.

**TIP:** Most present tense singular verbs end with s or es. Most present tense singular verbs do not end with s or es.

Example: Jermaine washes the dog, while his friends play catch.

Present tense singular verb

Present tense plural verb

### FUTURE TENSE:

Verbs in the **future tense** show action that will happen.

**TIP:** Add will or shall to most verbs to show the future tense.

Example: Jermaine will wash the dog.



**TIP:** Irregular verbs change spelling to form past tense.

Example: fly/ flew; eat/ate; write/wrote; tell/told, meet/met, etc.

TENSE TABLE

PAST	PRESENT	FUTURE
Mom <u>worked</u>	She <u>works</u>	She <u>will work</u>
The girls <u>danced</u>	They <u>dance</u>	We <u>will dance</u>
I <u>received</u>	We <u>receive</u>	We <u>shall receive</u>
You <u>called</u>	He <u>calls</u>	They <u>will call</u>
The girl <u>sang</u>	The choirs <u>sing</u>	The men <u>will sing</u>
Jade <u>traveled</u>	Jade and Tiara <u>travel</u>	You <u>will travel</u>