

GRAMMAR REVISION

Units 1-6

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PRESENT SIMPLE & PRESENT CONTINUOUS

PRESENT SIMPLE						
VERB TO BE			ALL THE OTHER VERBS			
Affirmative	Negative	Interrogative	Affirmative	Negative	Interrogative	
I am	I am not	Am I...?	I play	I don't play	Do I play?	
You are	You are not	Are you...?	You play	You don't play	Do you play?	
He/she/it is	He is not	Is he/she?	He plays	He doesn't play	Does he play?	
We are	We are not	Are we...?	We play	We don't play	Do we play?	
You are	You are not	Are you...?	You play	You don't play	Do you play?	
They are	They are not	Are they...?	They play	They don't play	Do they play?	

USES

1. To talk about habitual actions: I always get up at 8 o'clock
2. To talk about timetables: The train leaves at 17.00.
3. To talk about universal facts: Water boils at 100 C°
4. Common time expressions: every day, every month, every week...; always, never, frequently...

PRESENT CONTINUOUS		
Affirmative	Negative	Interrogative
I am playing	I am not playing	Am I playing?
You are playing	You are not playing	Are you playing?
He is playing	He is not playing	Is he playing?
We are playing	We are not playing	Are we playing?
You are playing	You are not playing	Are you playing?
They are playing	They are not playing	Are they playing?

USES

1. To talk about things that are happening at the moment: I'm wearing a blue sweater at the moment
2. Common time expressions: right now, at the moment, today...

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Write the **PRESENT SIMPLE** or **PRESENT CONTINUOUS** form of the verbs in brackets.

1. Ted _____ (take) a shower right now.
2. What _____ (we / have) for dinner tonight?
3. My brother _____ (have) a daughter and a son.
4. I _____ (not / solve) some math problems at the moment.
5. My grandfather often _____ (come) over for dinner at the weekends.
6. My school _____ (begin) at nine every day.
7. What time _____ (you / wake up) on weekdays?
8. What _____ (you / do) tomorrow night?
9. I usually _____ (not / work) on Sundays but today I _____ (work).
10. She _____ (not / sleep) now, she _____ (study).

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PAST SIMPLE & PAST CONTINUOUS

PAST SIMPLE				
VERB TO BE				
Regular verbs				
Affirmative	Negative	Interrogative		
I was You were He/she/it was We were You were They were	I was not You were not He was not We were not You were not They were not	Was I...? Were you...? Was he/she? Were we...? Were you...? Were they...?		
Affirmative Add -ed to the verb	Negative DIDN'T + INFINITIVE			
Irregular verbs DID + SUBJECT + INFINITIVE				
USES				
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To talk about specific events in the past: Yesterday I went shopping 2. To talk about a series of consecutive actions: The last day I went to the supermarket, did the laundry and prepared dinner. 3. Common time expressions: yesterday, last week, last Monday, last year, IN 1998... 				

PAST CONTINUOUS		
Affirmative	Negative	Interrogative
I was playing You were playing He was playing We were playing You were playing They were playing	I was not playing You were not playing He was not playing We were not playing You were not playing They were not playing	was I playing? were you playing? was he playing? were we playing? were you playing? were they playing?

USES

1. To talk about actions IN PROGRESS in the past: I'm wearing a blue sweater at the moment
2. To talk about LONGER actions that are interrupted by shorter actions: I was watching TV when someone knocked on the door.
3. Common time expressions: When; while

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Write the **PAST SIMPLE** or **PAST CONTINUOUS** form of the verbs in brackets.

1 We

(see) something strange in the sky while we

(look) at the stars.

2 The sun

(shine) when we

(arrive) at the beach.

3 While I

(wait) for the bus, I

(text) a few friends.

4 Jenna

(cry) when I finally

(find) her.

5 We first

(hear) about the storm while we

(have)

dinner.

6 When I

(arrive) at Paula's house, she

(sit) outside in

her garden.

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PRESENT PERFECT

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Affirmative	Negative	Interrogative
I have played	I haven't played	Have I played?
You have played	You haven't played	Have you played?
He has played	He hasn't playing	Has he played?
We have played	We haven't played	Have we played?
You have played	You haven't played	Have you played?
They have played	They haven't played	Have they played?

USES

1. **To talk about life experiences:** Have you ever travelled to the USA?
2. **To talk about actions finished a short time ago:** I have just finished my homework
3. **Common expressions:** already (affirmative); yet (negative & interrogative), ever, never, just, already, for, since

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Write the **PRESENT PERFECT** or **PAST SIMPLE** form of the verbs in brackets

1. I _____ (see) three police cars this morning (it's still morning).
2. After he _____ (arrive) home, he _____ (unpack) and _____ (go) to bed early.
3. A: What's wrong?
B: I _____ (break) a glass!
4. My grandparents only _____ (know) each other for a few months before they _____ (get) married.
5. I _____ (be) in London for three years. I love it here.
6. We _____ (see) Julie last night.
7. He _____ (be) a teacher before he _____ (become) a musician.
8. When the boss _____ (walk) into the room, we _____ (know) someone was going to get fired.
9. The children _____ (break) a window in the school last week.
10. He _____ (see) that film last year.

4 Write the **PRESENT PERFECT** of the verbs in brackets.

A

Dean: ¹ (you/finish/your homework/yet)?

Joel: No, I ² . But Tara ³

(do/already) all the maths exercises, so she can help me!

B

Liz: ⁴ (you/try/ever) a vegetable smoothie?

Sue: Yes, I ⁵ . I've got a smoothie maker, and I ⁶ (make/just) a carrot and tomato smoothie – lovely!

C

Eric: ⁷ (you/see) that new cookery show on TV?

Kyle: No, I ⁸ (hear) people talking about it a lot, but I ⁹ (never/see) it. Is it good?

Eric: Yes, it's great. I ¹⁰ (learn/already) a lot just from watching the first two episodes.

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Choose the correct option in each case



We have played golf two hours.



I've wanted to be a vet I was ten.



They have been friends a long time.



She hasn't drunk we got there.



Lots of things have happened then.



I have lived in Spain ten years.



My parents need the van two days.



I've known her she was born.



We have been busy morning.



He has worked here seven years.

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COMPARATIVES & SUPERLATIVES

	COMPARATIVE	SUPERLATIVE
1 & 2 syllable adjectives	<i>Taller than</i> <i>Prettier than</i>	<i>The tallest</i> <i>The prettiest</i>
3 or more syllable adjectives	<i>More beautiful than</i> <i>More expensive than</i>	<i>The most beautiful</i> <i>The most expensive</i>
IRREGULAR ADJECTIVES		
GOOD	<i>Better than</i>	<i>The best</i>
BAD	<i>Worse than</i>	<i>The worst</i>

6 Complete the sentences with the comparative or superlative form of the adjectives in brackets.

1 I think the second film is (good) than the first one.

2 The (funny) part was when he fell in the swimming pool.

3 I think that having a good story is (important) than having famous actors.

4 These are the (uncomfortable) seats I've ever sat on!

5 Going to the cinema is (exciting) than watching a film at home.

6 That's the (bad) film I've ever seen – it was awful!

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PAST PERFECT

PAST PERFECT		
Affirmative	Negative	Interrogative
I had played	I hadn't played	Had I played?
You had played	You hadn't played	Had you played?
He had played	He hadn't playing	Had he played?
We had played	We hadn't played	Had we played?

You had played They had played	You hadn't played They hadn't played	Had you played? Had they played?
USES		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To talk about actions that have happened BEFORE a particular action in the past: When we arrived home, they had already left 2. Common expressions: By; after; before...: By the time we arrived at the cinema, the movie had already started; They had started dinner a few minutes after I arrived home. 		

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Choose either **PAST PERFECT** or **PAST SIMPLE** in the following sentences.

1. The robbers **left / had left** the bank when the policemen **finally arrived / had arrived**.
2. When the rain **started / had started**, the Atkinsons **finished / had finished** planting trees.
3. By the time Rebecca **went / had gone** into the store, she **got / had got** soaked.
4. Darcey **saw / had seen** this castle before she **came / had come** again last Sunday.
5. Mr. Palmer **didn't speak / hadn't spoken** any Chinese before he **moved / had moved** to Peking.
6. Sonny **got / had got** fainted by the time the ambulance **reached / had reached** the hospital.
7. When my mother **brought / had brought** me an apple, I **finished / had finished** my homework.
8. Mrs. Wilkinson **refused / had refused** to drive the car because she **had / had had** a terrible accident on the highway about a year ago.
9. I **didn't think / hadn't thought** of having a new house before I **saw / had seen** that ad on TV.
10. My uncle **didn't try / hadn't tried** Italian food before **went / had gone** to that restaurant.