

# The tense system

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## 1 Identifying tenses

1 Write in the correct verb form, active or passive, using the verb in the box.

walk

1 A How did you get here?  
B We walked . It didn't take long.  
2 Our baby Jack \_\_\_\_\_ now. He's a year old.  
3 I need to have a rest. We \_\_\_\_\_ non-stop for four hours.

take

4 It was a hard match. At half-time, one of the footballers \_\_\_\_\_ to hospital.  
5 This shirt fits me. I \_\_\_\_\_ it.  
6 My dog looked guilty. He \_\_\_\_\_ some food from the kitchen table.

have

7 We need a new car. We \_\_\_\_\_ this one for ages.  
8 We \_\_\_\_\_ a lovely picnic until my wife was stung by a bee.  
9 Don't phone at 8.00. We \_\_\_\_\_ dinner then.

make

10 Our sandwiches \_\_\_\_\_ freshly \_\_\_\_\_ daily.  
11 Have you heard about Lenny? He \_\_\_\_\_ redundant.  
12 By the time I'm forty I \_\_\_\_\_ enough money to retire.

wash

13 A Where are my jeans?  
B They \_\_\_\_\_ at the moment.

14 My favourite white T-shirt went pink. It \_\_\_\_\_ with my daughter's red jumper.  
15 Simon was all wet because \_\_\_\_\_ the car.  
sell

16 My sister earns a good salary. She \_\_\_\_\_ computer software.  
17 If no one offers to buy the house, it \_\_\_\_\_ by auction next month.  
18 I wish I'd bought that antique chair I saw in the shop window. I'm sure it will have been sold by now.  
teach

19 At the end of this term I \_\_\_\_\_ for six years.  
20 The children \_\_\_\_\_ how to make cakes when one boy dropped his bowl on the teacher's foot.

2 Complete the tense chart with the verb forms from exercise 1.

Active	Simple	Continuous
Present		
Past	walked	
Future		
Present Perfect		
Past Perfect		
Future Perfect		
Passive	Simple	Continuous
Present		
Past		
Future		
Present Perfect		
Past Perfect		
Future Perfect	will have been sold	