

FINAL REVISION 2025

VERB TENSES

1.

Lady Gaga (1) ... a free concert on Copacabana Beach in Rio de Janeiro on May 3, 2025. The biggest of the pop star's career show (2) ... for by the city in an attempt to revitalise Rio's economy. Many attendees (3) ... well in advance to secure the best spots on the sand, enduring hours under the sun. More than two million fans (4) ... and dancing shoulder-to-shoulder along the vast stretch of sand and some even climbed trees for a better view of the show. It is reported that similar concerts (5) ... place every year in May at least until 2028.

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| 1. 1) has performed | 2) was performed | 3) performed | 4) had performed | 5) has been performing |
| 2. 1) was paid | 2) paid | 3) was paying | 4) has paid | 5) had paid |
| 3. 1) have arrived | 2) had arrived | 3) are arrived | 4) were arrived | 5) arrive |
| 4. 1) were sang | 2) are singing | 3) sang | 4) were singing | 5) have been singing |
| 5. 1) takes | 2) will be taken | 3) are taking | 4) will take | 5) are taken |

2.

Netflix (1) ... the first official teaser trailer for 'Wednesday' Season 2, starring Jenna Ortega as the iconic Wednesday Addams. The new season (2) ... on Netflix in two parts: the first part arrives on August 6, 2025, and the second part follows on September 3. In this season, Wednesday Addams will face new mysteries and challenges after she (3) ... to Nevermore Academy. The teaser (4) ... on April 23 – it shows Wednesday going through airport security where various weapons (5) ... in her bag.

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| 1. 1) was just released | 2) just releases | 3) is just released | 4) had just released | 5) has just released |
| 2. 1) has offered | 2) will offer | 3) will be offered | 4) will offered | 5) offers |
| 3. 1) will be returned | 2) is returned | 3) had returned | 4) returns | 5) will return |
| 4. 1) has appeared | 2) appeared | 3) was appeared | 4) will be appeared | 5) had appeared |
| 5. 1) discover | 2) are discovering | 3) discovered | 4) have discovered | 5) are discovered |

3.

These days, China (1) ... the world in 10G broadband technology. In April 2025, China Unicom and Huawei (2) ... the first commercial 10G network in Hebei province. This network uses advanced fiber-optic cables and (3) ... extremely fast internet speeds. The 10G service (4) ... for activities like 8K video streaming, cloud gaming, and smart city applications. This achievement puts China ahead in the global race for faster internet and it (5) ... the way people use the internet.

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| 1. 1) is leading | 2) is led | 3) had led | 4) lead | 5) has been leading |
| 2. 1) launched | 2) have launched | 3) had launched | 4) were launched | 5) launch |
| 3. 1) is offered | 2) is offering | 3) offers | 4) was offered | 5) had offered |
| 4. 1) has designed | 2) was designing | 3) is designing | 4) designed | 5) is designed |
| 5. 1) is shortly changed | 3) will shortly change | 5) had shortly changed | | |
| 2) was shortly changed | 4) shortly change | | | |

4.

People (1) ... glasses to improve their vision for centuries. The first eyeglasses (2) ... in Italy in the late 13th century. Since then, glasses (3) ... significantly, and millions of people around the world now (4) ... them daily. Today, many people choose glasses not only for vision correction but also as fashion accessories. Modern glasses come in countless styles, colours, and materials, and (5) ... users to express their personality while improving their eyesight.

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| 1. 1) are wearing | 2) wear | 3) had worn | 4) are worn | 5) have been wearing |
| 2. 1) invented | 2) were invented | 3) were inventing | 4) have invented | 5) are invented |
| 3. 1) have evolved | 2) evolved | 3) had evolved | 4) were evolved | 5) evolve |
| 4. 1) are used | 2) have used | 3) use | 4) is using | 5) have been using |
| 5. 1) had allowed | 2) allowing | 3) will be allowed | 4) allow | 5) are allowed |

5.

The NS-31 mission by Blue Origin (1) ... the first all-female spaceflight since Soviet cosmonaut Valentina Tereshkova (2) ... Earth in 1963. On April 14, 2025, six women, including pop star Katy Perry, journalist Gayle King, and former NASA rocket scientist Aisha Bowe, (3) ... to space on the New Shepard rocket. The flight (4) ... about 11 minutes and reached the edge of space, giving the crew a few minutes of weightlessness. The space tourism industry is still in its infancy, so every successful launch is significant and (5) ... that these short, commercial flights can be carried out safely.

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| 1. 1) becomes | 2) became | 3) was become | 4) has become | 5) had become |
| 2. 1) has orbited | 2) had orbited | 3) orbited | 4) was orbited | 5) has been orbiting |
| 3. 1) travelled | 2) have travelled | 3) were travelled | 4) are travelling | 5) have been travelling |
| 4. 1) had lasted | 2) lasted | 3) is lasting | 4) has lasted | 5) was lasted |
| 5. 1) had demonstrated | 2) is demonstrated | 3) was demonstrated | 4) demonstrates | 5) have demonstrated |

6.

Katy Perry (1) ... one of her hit songs in space – but she did sing. While the Blue Origin all-female crew (2) ... out over Earth, the pop star sang ‘What a Wonderful World’, a famous song that (3) ... by Louis Armstrong in 1967. “We (4) ... her to sing all the time, and she wouldn’t. Everybody said, ‘Sing ‘Roar’. Sing ‘Firework’. And she said, “It’s not about me. I wanted to talk about the world”,” journalist Gayle King said after they (5) ... home safely.

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| 1. 1) doesn't sing | 2) isn't singing | 3) wasn't sung | 4) didn't sing | 5) hasn't been singing |
| 2. 1) was looked | 2) had looked | 3) was looking | 4) is looking | 5) has been looking |
| 3. 1) is first recorded | 3) had first recorded | 5) was first recorded | | |
| 2) has first recorded | 4) was first recording | | | |
| 4. 1) are asking | 2) were asked | 3) had asking | 4) are asked | 5) have been asking |
| 5. 1) had returned | 2) return | 3) have returned | 4) will return | 5) were returned |

7.

Microbiologist Nicholas Aicher (1) ... for making popular TikTok videos where he swabs (*вытирать тампоном*) public surfaces-like gas pumps, movie theater seats, and beauty testers – to test them for bacteria. In a now-viral clip, Aicher (2) ... the famous ‘five-second rule’ – the belief that food is still safe to eat if picked up within five seconds of falling. He (3) ... sterile petri dishes on the floor for various time intervals: zero seconds, 5 seconds, 10 seconds, 20 seconds, 30 seconds, and up to one minute. After he (4) ... the samples, he found that every dish, even those on the floor for less than a second, showed bacterial growth. His experiment proves that food is not safe to eat after falling on the ground, no matter how quickly it (5) ... up.

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| 1. 1) is known | 2) has known | 3) knows | 4) is knowing | 5) knew |
| 2. 1) have tested | 2) tested | 3) is tested | 4) was tested | 5) testing |
| 3. 1) placed | 2) was placed | 3) had placed | 4) have placed | 5) is placed |
| 4. 1) has incubated | 2) incubates | 3) is incubated | 4) was incubated | 5) had incubated |
| 5. 1) will pick | 2) is picked | 3) has picked | 4) is picking | 5) picked |

8.

Dubai chocolate is a luxurious treat that combines Belgian chocolate with Middle Eastern flavours. It (1) ... by FIX Dessert Chocolatier in 2022 when the British-Egyptian founder wanted to satisfy her pregnancy cravings. The original chocolate bar (2) ... milk chocolate filled with pistachio cream, tahini, and crunchy knafeh pastry. This unique combination (3) ... famous worldwide after a TikTok video, posted by influencer Maria Vehera, received over 125 million views in December 2023.

The Dubai chocolate craze (4) ... a worldwide trend, which inspired imitations from major brands like Lindt and Läderach and even led to a global pistachio shortage. Even though the original bar costs around \$40, now millions of people all over the world (5) ... to try it.

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| 2. 1) contain | 2) is containing | 3) is contained | 4) contains | 5) was contained |
| 3. 1) has become | 2) was become | 3) became | 4) is becoming | 5) had become |
| 4. 1) spark | 2) was sparked | 3) has sparked | 4) is sparked | 5) will be sparked |
| 5. 1) want | 2) are wanting | 3) are wanted | 4) had wanted | 5) wants |