

Time Expressions

Time expressions tell you when something is happening. Below is a chart with common time expressions for the present, past, and future.

PRESENT	PAST	FUTURE
now	a little while ago	tomorrow
at this time	an hour ago	next week
today	this morning	next month
this week	yesterday	next year
this month	last week	in a week
this year	last month	in an hour
at the moment	last year	soon
these days	in the past	in the future
on Monday	the day before	later
always, usually, often	recently	the day after
every day	in 2020	tomorrow
every week	when I was a child	someday
weekly	one year ago	in a few years
yearly	a long time ago	in 2025

PRACTICE: Choose the correct word to complete each sentence.

1. Marta used to live in Miami, but _____ she lives in Chicago.
2. Ronaldo and Casey go to a dance class _____.
3. He cleaned his car _____.
4. We will have an English test _____. We should study on the weekend.
5. They lost their jobs _____.
6. I am busy _____. Please, come back later.
7. He will graduate from college _____. He is still in high school right now.
8. _____, I lived with my grandparents.
9. The doctor will see you _____. Please wait here.
10. She went to the beach _____. It was beautiful.
11. She goes to the laundromat _____.
12. I will talk to you _____. I will call you in one hour.
13. Tomas came to the U.S. _____.