

# Present and Past Tenses – Revision

Fill in the gaps with the verb in brackets in the appropriate tense.

1. He (give) \_\_\_\_\_ her a lift to work in the days before she passed her test.
2. By the third month of the war, the enemy army (occupy) \_\_\_\_\_ most of the territory.
3. Gary (have) \_\_\_\_\_ a motorbike when he was younger, but his wife persuaded him to sell it.
4. You (always lose) \_\_\_\_\_ my number! Why don't you put it in your mobile?
5. Things have definitely changed – there (be) \_\_\_\_\_ loads of small shops around here when I was young.
6. You've been really moody since that letter (arrive) \_\_\_\_\_.  
What's wrong?
7. Women (speak out) \_\_\_\_\_ on this issue for some time now, with mixed results.
8. Street crime figures (rise) \_\_\_\_\_ by five percent in the last two months.
9. The victim (come) \_\_\_\_\_ home from work when she was attacked by a dog!
10. I'll be with you in a minute, I (finish) \_\_\_\_\_ something in the kitchen.

11. She (stay) \_\_\_\_\_ in the Waldorf Astoria on this visit to New York.
12. At the time of the takeover the company's shares (decline) \_\_\_\_\_ in value for several months.
13. Grace Kelly (act) \_\_\_\_\_ for three years before she made her first movie.
14. Luckily all the boring speeches (finish) \_\_\_\_\_ by the time we arrived at the ceremony.