

UNIT 1: A VISIT FROM A PEN PAL

GRAMMAR

I. VERB TENSES

| TENSES | FORMS | USES | EXAMPLES |
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| The Simple Past | <p>♦ BE: (+) S + was / were (-) S + wasn't / weren't (?) Was / Were + S?</p> <p>♦ OTHER VERBS: (+) S + V-ed/ V 2 (+) S + didn't + V (?) Did + S + V?</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a completed action in the past. an action at a definite time in the past. <p>Time expressions: yesterday, last week, (3 years) ago.</p> | <p>-She <u>was</u> at home yesterday. -They <u>weren't</u> at home last night. -<u>Were</u> you in Dalat 2 years ago?</p> <p>-We <u>went</u> to a concert yesterday. -It <u>didn't rain</u> yesterday morning. -What <u>did</u> she <u>do</u> last Sunday?</p> |
| The Present Perfect | <p>(+) S + have/has + V 3 (-) S + haven't /hasn't + V3 (?) Have / Has + S + V 3</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> an action beginning in the past and continuing up to the present. an action at an indefinite time in the past <p>♦ Adverbs/ Prepositions of time: + ever/ never/ just / already → after "have" . + recently/ lately /yet /before → at the end of the sentence + since (1998) / for (5 years)</p> | <p>-She <u>has lived</u> here for 3 years. -Jane <u>hasn't phoned</u> me this week. -<u>Have</u> you <u>seen</u> her yet?</p> |

PRACTICE

- I (never/ visit) Africa, but I (travel).....to South America several times. The last time I (go).....to South America, I (visit) Brazil and Peru. I (spend) two weeks in the Amazon, and (hike)for a week near Machu Picchu, and (fly).....over the Nazca Lines.
- Barbara Lively, the writer, is married with two children. She (write).....over 40 books. She (start) writing after the death of her first husband. She (live)in many parts of the world, including Japan and India. She (spend).....her childhood in Egypt, but (come)..... to England in 1966. She (win)..... many awards, including the Booker Prize, which she (win)..... in 1988 for the novel *Dark Times to Come*.

B. WISHES

| | FORMS | USES | EXAMPLES |
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| Present | S + wish + S + were S + wish + S + V-ed/V2 | Unreal in the present | -He wishes he <u>were</u> at the seaside now. (He's at home now) -They wish they <u>had</u> a car. (They are poor and they can't buy a car.) |
| Future | S + wish + S + would + V | Unreal in the future | -She wishes she would come to the party tonight. (She will not come to the party tonight.) |

EXERCISE

I. WRITE THE CORRECT VERB FORM:

1. David wishes he (be) _____ at the beach tomorrow.
2. I wish I (be) _____ more intelligent.
3. He wishes he (speak) _____ English well.
4. I wish I (know) _____ their address.
5. I wish I (not, do) _____ my homework.
6. George wishes that he (fail, not) _____ the driving test next month.
7. I wish you (have) _____ a longer vacation.
8. What a lovely garden! I wish I (have) _____ one like yours when I grow up.
9. She wishes she (not, have) _____ an English test.
10. If only I (have) _____ more time to visit your beautiful country.

II. WRITE THE WISHES

1. What a pity I do not have my laptop with me.
I wish _____
2. We are sorry. You are not here with us now.
We wish _____
3. It is so sad that you cannot come to the party tonight.
I wish _____
4. Tom's mother will not be home this weekend.
Tom wishes _____
5. We often have a lot of homework.
I wish _____