Lesson 9 TENSES

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Present Tenses

Present simple

- Thói quen, hoạt động thường xuyên xảy ra.
- Quy luật, chân lí, sự thật.
- Lịch trình, thời gian biểu.
- Suy nghĩ, tình cảm, tư tưởng.



To be

(+) S + am/ is/ are + O.
(-) S + am not/ isn't/ aren't + O.
(?) Am/ Is/ Are + S + O?

Verb

(+) S + V(s/es).
(-) S + don't /doesn't + V.
(?) Do/ Does + S + V?

- Always, Usually, Often, Occasionally, Sometimes, Seldom, Never…
- Every + day, week, month, year…
- Once, twice, three times… + a week/ month/ year

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Examples:



- Linda **is** a doctor. She **works** in a hospital.
- The Sun **rises** in the East and **sets** in the West.
- The buses **leave** at 5 o'clock every day.
- I **don't like** playing football.

Present continuous

- Hành động đang xảy ra tại thời điểm nói hoặc xung quanh thời điểm nói.
- Hành động chắc chắn sẽ xảy ra trong tương lai, có kế hoạch.
- Hành động trái với lệ thường.
- Phàn nàn
- Sự thay đổi, biến đổi

(+) S + be + V-ing. (be: am, is, are)
(-) S + be not + V-ing.
(?) Be + S + V-ing?

- Now, At the moment, At present, Right now, At this time
- Listen! Be quiet! Look! (V!)
- Always (phàn nàn)

Examples:



- Peter **isn't listening** to music at the moment. He **is doing** his homework now.
- The students **are visiting** Ha Long Bay next week as scheduled.
- I go to school by bus every day, but today I**'m going** by bike.
- The boys **are always talking** too much in class.
- It **is getting** colder and colder.

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Present perfect

- Hành động bắt đầu trong quá khứ, kéo dài đến hiện tại, có kết quả ở hiện tại.
- Hành động xảy ra không rõ thời điểm.
- Hành động đã từng/ chưa từng xảy ra.
- Hành động vẫn chưa xảy ra.
- Hành động đã xảy ra bao nhiêu lần tính đến hiện tại.

(+) S + have/ has + PII. (be: been)
(-) S + haven't / hasn't + PII.
(?) Have/ Has + S + PII?

- For + Khoảng thời gian
- Since + mốc thời gian / S + Vpast
- Just, Recently, Lately, Up to now, Until now, Already, So far
- Yet
- Never ... before, ever
- How long?

Examples:

- I **have stayed** in Hanoi for 5 days.
- My mother **has just gone** to the supermarket.
- We **have never eaten** Chinese food before.
- Linda **hasn't finished** this book yet.
- Up to now, **I've travelled** to Thailand several times.





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Past Tenses

Past simple

- Hành động đã xảy ra và đã kết thúc trong quá khứ.
- Sự thật, thói quen trong quá khứ.

To be

(+) S + was/ were + O.
(-) S + wasn't/ weren't + O.
(?) Was/ Were + S + O?

Verb

(+) S + V-ed/P1.
(-) S + didn't + V.
(?) Did + S + V?

- Yesterday, Last week/ month/ year
- Ago
- In + thời gian trong quá khứ
- Used to + V: đã từng làm gì

Examples:

- My family **didn't go** to Phu Quoc Island last month. We **stayed** at home.
- The children **were** at the beach yesterday.
- My uncle **used** to smoke a lot two years ago.



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Past continuous

✡ Hành động xảy ra tại một thời điểm xác định trong quá khứ.

(+) S + was / were + V-ing.
(-) S + wasn't / weren't + V-ing.
(?) Was/ were + S + V-ing?

- at + thời gian trong quá khứ
- this time yesterday/ last…

✡ Hai hành động song song cùng xảy ra trong quá khứ.

While + S1 + was/were + V-ing, S2 + was/were + V-ing.

✡ Một hành động đang xảy ra thì bị hành động khác chen ngang.

When + S1 + V-ed/P1, S2 + was/were + V-ing.
While + S1 + was/were + Ving, S2 + V-ed/P1.

Examples:

- The kids **weren't watching** TV at 8 p.m. last night. They **were playing** games.
- While my mother **was preparing** dinner, my father **was watering** the flowers.
- When Peter phoned, I **was having** a bath.
  = While I **was having** a bath, Peter phoned.

Past perfect

✡ Hành động xảy ra và hoàn thành trước một hành động trong quá khứ.

(+) S + had + P2.
(-) S + hadn't + P2.
(?) Had + S + P2?

- S + had + P2 + by the time / before / when + S + V-ed/P1.
- S + V-ed/P1 + after + S + had + P2.

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Let's Practice

Exercise 1. Put the verbs into the Present Simple or Present Continuous tenses.

Chia động từ ở thì Hiện tại đơn hoặc Hiện tại tiếp diễn.



1. Linda ..... **be** at home now.
2. They ..... **be** very kind and friendly.
3. I ..... **be** fifteen years old.
4. Jenny ..... **visit** her grandparents every week.
5. My younger brother ..... **watch** television at the moment.
6. The farmers ..... **work** in the field now.
7. What time ..... your parents usually ..... **get** up?
8. You should wear warm clothes. It ..... **look** cold outside.
9. Do you know that the Earth ..... **go** around the Sun?
10. The train ..... **leave** at 6 o'clock tomorrow.
11. Students ..... **not go** to school on Sundays.
12. Look! The boys ..... **play** hide and seek.
13. My best friend ..... **love** writing poems.
14. Tom ..... **not do** his homework right now, he ..... **clean** the floor.
15. ..... Akiko ..... **come** from Japan?



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Exercise 2. Put the verbs into the Present Perfect.

Chia động từ ở thì Hiện tại hoàn thành.

1. John and Jack (live) ..... here since 2010.
2. I (never be) ..... to Ha Noi.
3. David (not, see) ..... this film before.
4. We (publish) ..... ten books so far.
5. My father (just, wash) ..... his car.
6. I (finish) ..... my exercises already.
7. They (travel) ..... to the USA three times.
8. ..... you (ever, try) ..... this food?
9. The kids (not, finish) ..... their homework yet.
10. It (rain) ..... for two hours.

Exercise 3. Put the verbs into the correct present tenses.

Chia dạng đúng của động từ ở thì hiện tại.

1. My mother ..... (cook) some food in the kitchen at present.
2. The box ..... (weigh) ten kilograms.
3. Tim ..... (not take) any photos yet.
4. ..... it ..... (snow) in your country now?
5. How often ..... (Ryan / take) the dog for a walk?
6. How long ..... you ..... (learn) to drive a car?
7. Tom, Sam and Peter ..... (not read) books in the living room right now. They ..... (talk) to each other.

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8 We ..... (have) a party tonight. Would you like to join us?

9 They ..... (not contact) to each other for a long time.

10 Look! Those children ..... (climb) a tree. It ..... (be) too dangerous.

11 My lunch ..... (consist of) sandwiches and an orange.

12 Lucy ..... (not / meet) her old friends since I moved to London.

13 You ..... (always / go) to school late! You should get up earlier.

14 Up to now, they ..... (build) two new shopping malls in my city.

15 Antony ..... (think) Japanese ..... (be) very difficult.

Exercise 4. Put the verbs into the correct tense: Past simple or Past continuous.

Chia động từ ở thì Quá khứ đơn hoặc Quá khứ tiếp diễn.

1 My best friend _____ (go) to Paris in 2018.

2 At this time yesterday, we _____ (play) football in the schoolyard.

3 I _____ (be) very angry because they _____ (be) late for the meeting.

4 _____ you _____ (attend) the extra class last night?

5 What were you doing when I phoned you? I _____ (have) dinner with my family.

6 Mozart _____ (write) more than 600 pieces of music.

7 My sister _____ (watch) TV at 7:00 p.m. yesterday.

8 I _____ (not receive) any letters from my family last month.

9 This time last year, we _____ (learn) English in Oxford.

10 Jenny _____ (use to - play) the piano two years ago.

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Exercise 5. Put the verbs into the correct tense: Past simple or Past continuous.

Chia động từ ở thì Quá khứ đơn hoặc Quá khứ tiếp diễn.

1. Jack [have] ..... a bad dream while he [sleep] ..... yesterday.
2. The girl [cry] ..... when a fairy [appear] .....
3. While I [wash] ..... the dishes, my younger sisters [watch] ..... cartoon last night.
4. When I [call] ..... Bill this morning, he [have] ..... breakfast.
5. The children [play] ..... games when their mother [come] ..... back home.
6. When we [be] ..... young, we [study] ..... at a primary school near our house.
7. The boys [break] ..... a window while they [play] ..... football.
8. At this time yesterday, my mother [lie] ..... on the beach while we [build] ..... a sand castle.
9. When I [arrive] ..... home last night, Jane [prepare] ..... a beautiful candle light dinner.
10. Tony [call] ..... me while I [find] ..... a car park.
11. While I [live] ..... in the USA, I [meet] ..... my idol, Taylor Swift.
12. While we [cross] ..... bridge, we [see] ..... Jimmy.
13. When I [hear] ..... a terrible noise outside, I [read] ..... a book in my bedroom.
14. Everyone had to prepare for the project, so while Jack and I [make] ..... some slides, Linda [write] ..... a report.
15. While we [have] ..... a barbecue in the garden, it [start] ..... to rain.

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Exercise 6. Put the verbs into the correct tense: Past simple or Past perfect.

Chia động từ ở thì Quá khứ đơn hoặc Quá khứ hoàn thành.

1. Tony (not visit) _____ China before 2022.
2. I couldn't open the door because I (lose) _____ the key.
3. The Wright brothers (invent) _____ the world's first successful motor-operated airplane on December 17th, 1903.
4. Jane (cook) _____ dinner before her parents (come) _____ home.
5. Before my aunt (visit) _____ my house, she (buy) _____ some bars of chocolate for me.
6. My father (finish) _____ his work by 4 p.m. yesterday.
7. They (wait) _____ at the station for 90 minutes when the train finally (arrive) _____.
8. After they (get) _____ the money, they (go) _____ shopping.
9. Last Tuesday, we (not fly) _____ to Russia because we (be) _____ busy at work.
10. By the time Vivian (reach) _____ the station, the train (already, leave) _____.
11. Tom told me he (never, be) _____ to Australia before.
12. My sister (wash) _____ all the dishes before she (go out) _____ with her friends.
13. We (use to – work) _____ as volunteers in mountainous areas some years ago.
14. When I (turn on) _____ the TV, the film (start) _____ already.
15. By the time I (meet) _____ you, I (work) _____ in that company for three years.

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Exercise 7. Put the verbs into the past tenses.

Chia dạng đúng của động từ ở thì quá khứ.

1. I really ..... (enjoy) the party last week.
2. Lucy and I ..... (do) some research at 3 p.m. yesterday.
3. I ..... (know) Susan since we ..... (live) in the same village.
4. While James ..... (run) to school, he ..... (drop) his mobile phone.
5. The little girl ..... (want) to relax because she ..... (paint) for a long time.
6. Sam ..... (not. move) to Iceland until 2021.
7. My father ..... (study) French when he ..... (be) young.
8. At 6 last morning, while my brother and I ..... (do) exercises, my father ..... (water) the trees.
9. We ..... (not talk) to each other since we ..... (graduate) from high school.
10. My family ..... (travel) to Ha Noi this time last year.
11. Everyone ..... (have) dinner when I entered the restaurant.
12. When our children ..... (go) to the beach for the first time, they ..... (learn) to swim.
13. The students ..... (listen) to the lesson when the bell ..... (ring).
14. Since we ..... (publish) our first books, we ..... (receive) many good feedbacks from readers.
15. Before I ..... (use) this machine, I ..... (read) the instructions carefully.

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Exercise 8. Put the verbs into the correct tense: Future simple or Near future.

Chia dạng đúng của động từ ở thì Tương lai đơn hoặc Tương lai gần.

1. It's freezing here.
   – Don't worry! I ..... (close) the window.
2. "I've decided to repaint this room."
   – "What color ..... (you/ paint) it?"
3. Tim thinks he ..... (win) the match tomorrow.
4. Look at the dark sky! It ..... (rain) soon.
5. We hope our grandpa ..... (be) better after an operation.
6. She has bought two tickets. We ..... (enjoy) the movie tonight.
7. In the future, robots ..... (do) every dangerous thing for human.
8. I've recently bought two English novels. I ..... (read) them this weekend.
9. My students promise they ..... (not. go) to school late again.
10. We ..... (go) hiking next week. Would you like to go with us?

Exercise 9. Put the verbs into the correct future tenses.

Chia dạng đúng của động từ ở thì tương lai.

1. I can't go to the bookshop with you because I _____ **(play)** badminton after school tomorrow.
2. We are not sure what we _____ **(do)** this summer. We may go to New Zealand.
3. This time next week, Anna _____ **(enjoy)** her holiday at the beach.

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4 My friends _____ **(travel)** to London at Christmas, they've just booked the hotel.

5 _____ **(you, go)** shopping with me this weekend?

6 I _____ **(make)** some cookies for Christmas, so can you get some eggs, sugar, flour and butter?

7 "This bag is so heavy."
– "I _____ **(help)** you carry it."

8 According to our plan, we _____ **(move)** to a new flat next month.

9 Henry _____ **(do)** his Maths exam from 10 to 11:30 tomorrow.

10 I think the weather _____ **(be)** nice this weekend.

11 My dad _____ **(wait)** for me at the station when I arrive tonight.

12 – Why are you dressing formally?
– I _____ **(meet)** my partner this afternoon.

13 Oh, the house is on fire. I _____ **(call)** the firemen immediately.

14 Don't call me at 10 a.m. tomorrow because I _____ **(have)** a meeting at that time.

15 My family _____ **(live)** in Malaysia this time next year.

Exercise 10. Put the verbs into the correct tenses.

Chia động từ trong ngoặc ở thì thích hợp.

1 Tommy ..... catch ; a bus to school every day.

2 We ..... not. get ; a scholarship last semester.

3 I promise that I ..... not. tell ; your secret to anyone.

4 Before the storm ..... come ;, the villagers ..... move ;
to the safe place.

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5 Barbara ..... (work) here since she ..... (graduate) from university.

6 While I ..... (walk) to my aunt's house, I ..... (find) a wallet.

7 Anna is not hungry because she ..... (eat) lunch already.

8 Good news! Ann and Bob ..... (get) married on 25th August.

9 We ..... (watch) TV when someone ..... (knock) the door.

10 Linda ..... (be) very angry when she ..... (know) the truth in the future.

11 Our children ..... (play) in the garden at the moment.

12 While Sam ..... (sing), Anna and Maria ..... (dance) at the same time.

13 My mother ..... (use to study) abroad when she was young.

14 At 8 a.m. tomorrow morning, the students ..... (have) an English lesson.

15 We ..... (drive) to our hometown this time tomorrow.

Exercise 11. Underline the correct answer.

Gạch chân phương án đúng.

1 My grandpa *is usually watching / usually watches / has usually watched* the news in the evening.

2 Just a minute! I *am looking up / look up / have looked up* that word in the dictionary.

3 It *gets / has got / is getting* colder. Put on your coat!

4 Is Martin working with you? I *don't see / haven't seen / am not seeing* him recently.

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5 My brother *always plays / always play / is always playing* the guitar in the afternoon.

6 He *has known / knows / is knowing* Jenny since last Christmas.

7 Who is that woman? I *never meet / am never meeting / have never met* her before.

8 Jane's sister *is / has been / is being* very hard-working. She is *having/ has / has had* a big house now.

9 Julia and Tom *have / are having / have had* their car for two years.

10 What a great smell! I *am just baking / just bake / have just baked* some cupcakes for my kids.

Exercise 12. Underline the correct answer.

Gạch chân phương án đúng.

1 My family [moved | had moved | was moving] to Canada in 1998.

2 Jack [used to was | use to be | used to be] very lazy, but he [wasn't | isn't | hasn't been] now.

3 At 10 p.m. yesterday, John [played | had played | was playing] games in his room.

4 Antony [had lived | lived | was living] in Singapore before 2020.

5 We [were working | worked | had worked] in the office when the manager [was arriving | arrived | had arrived].

6 While Tom and Peter [played | was playing | were playing] volleyball, Ann [painted | was painting | had painted].

7 Lucy [came | has come | had come] rich since she [had won | was winning | won] the lottery last month.

8 We [used | were using | had used] this motorbike for nearly ten years before it [broke down | was breaking down | had broken down].

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