

Verb tense review: present, past, and future

1 THE PRESENT OF BE

Statements

| | | |
|-------------------|-----|-------|
| I | am | late. |
| You We They | are | |
| He She It | is | |

2 THE SIMPLE PRESENT TENSE

Statements

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|------------------------|-----------------|
| I You We They | speak English. |
| He She | speaks English. |

Yes / no questions

| | | |
|------|------------------------|------------|
| Do | I you we they | know them? |
| Does | he she | eat meat? |

Short answers

| | | | | | |
|------|------------------------|-------|-----|------------------------|----------|
| Yes, | I you we they | do. | No, | I you we they | don't. |
| | he she it | does. | | he she it | doesn't. |

Information questions

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| What do | you we they | need? |
| When does | he she it | start? |
| Who | wants needs likes | this book? |

3 THE PRESENT CONTINUOUS

Statements

| | | |
|-------------------|-----|-------------------|
| I | am | watching TV. |
| You We They | are | studying English. |
| He She It | is | arriving now. |

Yes / no questions

| | | |
|-----|-------------------|-----------------|
| Am | I | going too fast? |
| Are | you we they | |
| | he she it | |

Short answers

| | | | | |
|------|-----------------|------|-----|----------------------------|
| Yes, | I | am. | No, | I'm not. |
| | you | are. | | you aren't / you're not. |
| | he she it | is. | | he isn't / he's not. |
| | we they | are. | | she isn't / she's not. |
| | | | | it isn't / it's not. |
| | | | | we aren't / we're not. |
| | | | | they aren't / they're not. |

Information questions

| | | | |
|-------|-----|-------------------|------------------|
| What | are | you we they | doing? |
| When | is | he she it | leaving? |
| Where | am | I | staying tonight? |
| Who | is | | driving? |

4 THE PAST CONTINUOUS

Statements

| | | |
|-------------------|------|-------------------------------|
| I | was | singing that song. |
| You We They | were | playing the piano. |
| He She It | was | leaving from Central Station. |

Yes / no questions

| | | |
|------|----------------------|---|
| Was | I he she it | landing in Sydney when the storm began? |
| Were | we you they | |

Short answers

| | | | | | |
|------|----------------------|-------|-----|----------------------|----------|
| Yes, | I he she it | was. | No, | I he she it | wasn't. |
| | we you they | were. | | we you they | weren't. |

*(The past continuous—continued)***Information questions**

| | | | |
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| When | was | I he she it | speeding? |
| Where | were | we you they | going? |
| Who | was | | arriving? |

5 THE PAST OF BE**Statements**

| | |
|----------------------|-------------|
| I He She It | was late. |
| We You They | were early. |

Yes / no questions

| | | |
|------|----------------------|--------------------|
| Was | I he she it | on time? |
| Were | we you they | in the same class? |

Short answers

| | | | | | |
|------|----------------------|-------|-----|----------------------|----------|
| Yes, | I he she it | was. | No, | I he she it | wasn't. |
| | we you they | were. | | we you they | weren't. |

Information questions

| | | | |
|-------|------|----------------------|-------|
| Where | were | we? you? they? | |
| When | was | he she it | here? |
| Who | were | they? | |
| Who | was | he? she? it? | |

6 THE SIMPLE PAST TENSE

Many verbs are irregular in the simple past tense. To see the list of irregular verbs, open **Reference Charts** on the *ActiveBook* Self-Study Disc.

Statements

| | | | |
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| I You He She It We They | stopped working. | I You He She It We They | didn't start again. |
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Yes / no questions

| | | |
|-----|---|---------------------|
| Did | I you he she it we they | make a good dinner? |
|-----|---|---------------------|

Short answers

| | | | | | |
|------|---|------|-----|---|---------|
| Yes, | I you he she it we they | did. | No, | I you he she it we they | didn't. |
|------|---|------|-----|---|---------|

Information questions

| | | |
|----------|---|------------|
| When did | I you he she it we they | read that? |
| Who | | called? |

7 THE FUTURE WITH WILL**Affirmative and negative statements**

| | | |
|---|---------------|-----------------------|
| I You He She It We They | will won't | stop at five o'clock. |
|---|---------------|-----------------------|

Yes / no questions

| | | |
|------|---|-------------|
| Will | I you he she it we they | be on time? |
|------|---|-------------|

(The future with will—continued)

Affirmative and negative short answers

| | | |
|------|-------------------------|--------|
| Yes, | I you he | will. |
| No, | she it we they | won't. |

Information questions

| | | |
|-----------|---|-----------|
| What will | I you he she it we they | do? |
| Who will | | be there? |

8 THE FUTURE WITH BE GOING TO

Statements

| | | |
|--|----------|---------------|
| I'm You're He's She's It's We're They're | going to | be here soon. |
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| | | |
|--|--------------|---------------|
| I'm You're He's She's It's We're They're | not going to | be here soon. |
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Yes / no questions

| | | |
|-----|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Are | you we they | going to want coffee? |
| Am | I | going to be late? |
| Is | he she it | going to arrive on time? |

Short answers

| | | | | |
|------|------------|------|-----|--|
| Yes, | I | am. | No, | I'm not. |
| | you | are. | | you aren't / you're not. |
| | he | is. | | he isn't / he's not. |
| | she it | | | she isn't / she's not. it isn't / it's not. |
| | we they | are. | | we aren't / we're not. they aren't / they're not. |

Information questions

| | | | |
|-------|-----|-----------------|-------------------------|
| What | are | you / we / they | going to see? |
| When | is | he / she / it | going to shop? |
| Where | am | I | going to stay tomorrow? |
| Who | is | | going to call? |

9 THE PRESENT PERFECT

Affirmative and negative statements

| | | |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| I | | |
| You We They | have haven't | left yet. |
| He She It | has hasn't | |

Yes / no questions

| | | |
|------|------------------------|------------------|
| Have | I you we they | said enough? |
| Has | he she it | already started? |

Affirmative and negative short answers

| | | |
|-------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| Yes, No, | I you we they | have. haven't. |
| Yes, No, | he she it | has. hasn't. |

Information questions

| | | | |
|-------|------|------------------------|-----------------|
| Where | have | I you we they | seen that book? |
| How | has | he she it | been? |
| Who | has | | read it? |

10 THE PASSIVE VOICE

| Form the passive voice with a form of be and the past participle of the verb | | |
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| | ACTIVE VOICE | PASSIVE VOICE |
| simple present | Art collectors buy famous paintings. | Famous paintings are bought by art collectors. |
| present continuous | The Cineplex is showing that film. | That film is being shown by the Cineplex. |
| present perfect | All the critics have reviewed that book. | That book has been reviewed by all the critics. |
| simple past | Vera Wang designed this dress. | This dress was designed by Vera Wang. |
| past continuous | Last year, World Air was still selling tours to the Ivory Coast. | Last year, tours to the Ivory coast were still being sold . |
| future with will | The children will return the books tomorrow. | The books will be returned tomorrow. |
| be going to | Bart's Garage is going to repair my car this afternoon. | My car is going to be repaired by Bart's Garage this afternoon. |