

## Simple Present

- The sun **rises** in the east & sets in the west.  
Facts
- I **give** lots of homework.  
Habitual actions
- The plane **arrives** at 6:00 tonight.  
Future actions, especially scheduled ones

## Present Progressive

- Formation: "Be" in present + present participle
- Uses:
- You **'re reading** this example.  
Action happening in the moment
- We **'re studying** essay writing this semester.  
Action happening in the moment
- I **'m going** home at 1:00 today.  
Future action

## Present Perfect

- Formation: "Have" in simple present + past participle
- Uses:
- I **have taught** here since 2002.  
Action begun in the past that continues in the present
- I **have seen** that movie.  
Past action, unspecified time
- We **have eaten** there many times.  
Repeated past action, unspecified time
- Have you **ever been** to Paris?  
Experience that did/didn't happen

## Present Perfect Progressive

- Formation: “Be” in present perfect + present participle
- Uses:
  - She has been teaching for 40 years!  
Action in progress at the present moment, emphasis on the duration of the action

## Future: Will

- Prediction:  
It will rain tomorrow.
- Decision of the moment:  
I need help. I'll help you!
- Will not/won't – Refusal  
The car won't start.  
He will not help his brother.
- Promise:  
I will write as soon as I arrive.

## Future: Be going to

- Prediction:  
It is going to rain tomorrow.
- Plan:  
I'm going to Iowa this weekend.

## Future Progressive

- **Formation:** "Be" in future + Present participle
  - **Uses:**
    - When you are sleeping tonight, I will be correcting essays.
    - When you are asleep tonight, I am going to be correcting essays.
- Action in progress at some future time

## Future Perfect

- **Formation:** "Have" in the future + past participle
  - **Uses:**
    - I will have checked your sentences before you come to class on Tuesday.
- Action to be completed in the future before some future time or event

## Future Perfect Progressive

- **Formation:** "Be" in future perfect + present participle
  - **Uses:**
    - He will have been working here for 45 years when he retires next year.
- Action in progress at some point in the future, emphasis on duration of the action in progress

## Simple Past

- **Formation:** Add "ed" to base form  
Lots of irregular verbs
  - **Uses:**
    - I watched that movie last night.
    - He bought a new car last week.
    - That student was late for class.
- Action begun and completed at a specific time in the past

## Past Progressive

- Formation: "Be" in simple past + present participle
- Uses:
  - He was talking when the phone rang.  
Action happening in the past, interrupted by another
  - He was working at the time of the murder.  
Action happening at a past moment

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## Past Perfect

- Formation: "Have " in simple past + past participle
- Uses:
  - Class **had started** by the time the last student arrived.  
Past action completed before another past action
  - They **had been** married ten years when their first baby was born.  
Action completed before a past point in time

## Past Perfect Progressive

- Formation: "Be" in past perfect + present participle.
- Uses:
  - They had been working for three hours when the storm struck.  
Past action in progress when another past action happens, emphasis on duration of first action