

Activity 2 Simple Past Tense

Past Tenses

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Simple Past

Simple Past is also known as Past Simple and describes events which happened at a specific time, but are now completed.

e.g.

I baked
You baked (singular)
He/She/It baked

We baked
You baked (plural)
They baked

Change these sentences to past tense:

1. There **are** two birds on the fence.

Yesterday there were two birds on the fence.

2. I **am bringing** some orange juice to the party.

I was bringing some orange juice to the party.

3. Tomorrow, Billy **is going** to see the dentist.

Yesterday, Billy was going to see the dentist.

4. Sarah **jumps** over the fence.

An hour ago, Sarah jumped over the fence.

5. Joey **is catching** an airplane to Spain.

Last year, Joey was catching an airplane to Spain.

6. My sister **likes** her ice cream.

My sister liked her ice cream.

7. There **is** a cat in the yard sitting on the path.

There was a cat in the yard sitting on the path.

8. Tomorrow, I **am going to eat** really healthily.

Yesterday, I was going to eat really healthily.

Activity 3 Simple Present Tense

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Present Tenses

Simple Present

The Simple Present can be used to describe something that happens regularly, to give an instruction, to describe something that has been arranged or to talk about the future after certain conjunctions have been used (after, when, before, as soon as, until).

e.g.

I bake
You bake (singular)

He/She/It bakes
We bake

You bake (plural)
They bake

Change these sentences to present tense:

1. The lion **will roar** fiercely.

The lion roars fiercely.

2. Yesterday, I **went** to the supermarket.

Today, I go to the supermarket.

3. The owl **swooped** down from the tree tops.

The owl swoops down from the tree tops.

4. Tomorrow, the sun **will rise**.

Today, the sun rises.

5. There **was** a huge bear that **lived** in the cave.

There is a huge bear that lives in the cave.

6. I **couldn't** wait to go to the park.

I can't wait to go to the park.

7. The monkey **will swing** through the jungle.

The monkey swings through the jungle.

8. A week ago, I **went** on a vacation.

Right now, I'm going on a vacation.

Activity 4 Simple Future Tense

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Future Tenses

Simple Future

Simple Future is also known as Future Simple and describes events which will take place.
e.g.

I will bake
You will bake (singular)
He/She/It will bake

We will bake
You will bake (plural)
They will bake

Change these sentences to future tense:

1. The wolf **howled** at the moon.

The wolf will howl at the moon.

2. Today, I **am doing** all of my homework.

Today, I will be going all of my homework.

3. Yesterday, I **carried** all of the shopping home.

Tomorrow, I will carry all of the shopping home.

4. I **have been** to the movies.

I will have been to the movies.

5. The brave man **is saving** her life.

The brave man will be saving her life.

6. Peter **ran** all the way to school.

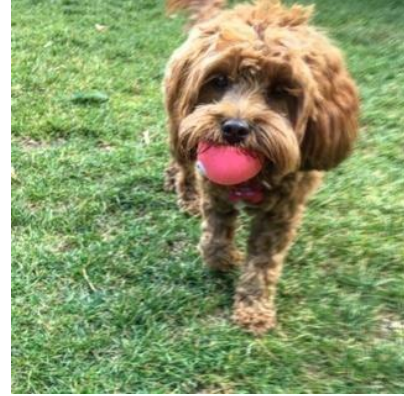
Peter will run all the way to school.

7. Last year, I **traveled** half way around the world.

Next year, I will travel half way around the world.

8. My brother **is growing** taller than my dad!

My brother will be growing taller than my dad!



A Walk in the Park

It's a walk in the park to use consistent verb tenses!

Read this paragraph; what tense is it? Find the verbs. Can you put the necessary verbs into the past tense so the paragraph still makes sense?

As we (my dog Hodge and I) **approach** the playing fields, Hodge **is straining** to pull away. "What's the matter with you?" I **grumble**, tugging hard at his lead. "**We'll** be there any minute anyway." However, the moment we **squeeze** through the gap in the hedge and onto the grass, he **plonks** his bottom down and **wags** his curly tail furiously in his best 'what a good dog!' position.

Then, I **see** what he **has** already smelled - his best friend Willow **is waiting** for him about fifty metres away. The second I **unclip** him, he **is** off like a bullet towards her! Meeting in the middle of the cricket pitch with a sort of doggy high-five, they **race** deliriously around and over each other for the next twenty-five minutes. Exhausted, finally, they both **collapse** on the grass in a heap, while Willow's owner **jokes** that they **are** puffing like a pair of furry steam trains.