

English Tenses

Present Simple Tense

1. Form des Verbs (+s)

Negation:

don't/doesn't + baseform

Question:

Do/Does... baseform...?

Signalwords:

always, sometimes, usually, never, every day, normally, often, as a rule, generally...

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Present Progressive Tense

am/is/are + verb-ing

Negation:

am/is/are not + verb-ing

Question:

Am/Is/Are... verb-ing...?

Signalwords:

now, at the moment, Look!, Listen!, Oh no!...

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Future Tenses

A) will + baseform

unsicher, wahrscheinlich, vielleicht!

B) be going to + baseform

sicher, geplant

Signalwords:

tomorrow, next week, in two years, perhaps, maybe...

Past Simple Tense

2. Form des Verbs/Verb+ed

Negation:

didn't + baseform

Question:

Did...baseform...?

Signalwords:

yesterday, last year, ... ago, in 1998, When I was a child, ...

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Past Perfect Tense

had + 3. Form des Verbs

Negation:

had not + 3. Form

Question:

Had... 3. Form...?

Signalwords:

after, before...

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Past Progressive Tense

was/were + verb-ing

Negation:

was/were not + verb-ing

Question:

Was/Were... verb-ing...?

Signalwords:

when, while, yesterday at five...

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Present Perfect Simple

have/has + 3. Form des Verbs

Signalwords:

just, already, since, for, never, ever...

Present Perfect Progressive

have/has been + verb-ing

Signalwords:

since, for, How long..., all day, ...