

## Introduction to Tense in Language Learning

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2. How do the future and past tenses differ in their usage?

## Learning Objectives

*By the end of this activity, you will be able to:*

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3. Use a variety of future and past tenses to describe daily routines

## Formation of Future and Past Tenses

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## Multiple-Choice Questions

Choose the correct answer for each question:

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  - a. I go to school every day
  - b. I will go to school tomorrow
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## Short-Answer Questions

*Write a sentence using the future tense to describe what you will do tomorrow:*

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## Sentence Completion Tasks

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## Error Analysis and Correction

*Read the following sentences and identify the errors in tense usage:*

1. I will go to the store yesterday
2. By the time I arrived, they will eat all the food
3. I am going to school every day

*Correct the errors and rewrite the sentences:*

## Tense Consistency

*Read the following paragraph and identify the inconsistencies in tense usage:*

I was studying for my exam all day. I will take a break and go for a walk. When I arrived at the park, I saw my friends playing soccer.

*Rewrite the paragraph with consistent tense usage:*

## Tense in Conditional Sentences

Read the following sentences and identify the correct form of the verb in parentheses:

1. If I \_\_\_\_\_ (win) the lottery, I would buy a house
2. If I \_\_\_\_\_ (study) harder, I would have passed the exam

Complete the following sentences with the correct form of the verb in parentheses:

1. If it \_\_\_\_\_ (rain), we would cancel the picnic
2. If I \_\_\_\_\_ (know) the answer, I would tell you

## Mixed Tenses in Sentences

Read the following sentences and identify the correct form of the verb in parentheses:

1. By the time I \_\_\_\_\_ (finish) my homework, my friends \_\_\_\_\_ (already/go) to bed
2. When I \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive) at the party, my friends \_\_\_\_\_ (already/eat) all the food

Complete the following sentences with the correct form of the verb in parentheses:

1. By next year, I \_\_\_\_\_ (complete) my degree and \_\_\_\_\_ (start) working
2. When I \_\_\_\_\_ (get) home, my family \_\_\_\_\_ (already/have) dinner

## Tense in Reported Speech

Read the following sentences and identify the correct form of the verb in parentheses:

1. She said she \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to the store
2. He said he \_\_\_\_\_ (eat) breakfast already

Complete the following sentences with the correct form of the verb in parentheses:

1. They said they \_\_\_\_\_ (watch) a movie last night
2. She said she \_\_\_\_\_ (not/be) to the party

## Tense in Passive Voice

Read the following sentences and identify the correct form of the verb in parentheses:

1. The play \_\_\_\_\_ (perform) by a famous actor
2. The food \_\_\_\_\_ (eat) by the time we arrived

Complete the following sentences with the correct form of the verb in parentheses:

1. The book \_\_\_\_\_ (write) by a famous author
2. The package \_\_\_\_\_ (deliver) to the wrong address

## Tense in Clauses of Time and Condition

Read the following sentences and identify the correct form of the verb in parentheses:

1. When I \_\_\_\_\_ (finish) my homework, I will watch TV
2. If it \_\_\_\_\_ (rain), we will cancel the picnic

Complete the following sentences with the correct form of the verb in parentheses:

1. By the time I \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive), they \_\_\_\_\_ (already/eat) all the food
2. Unless I \_\_\_\_\_ (study) harder, I will not pass the exam

## Tense in Wishes and Regrets

Read the following sentences and identify the correct form of the verb in parentheses:

1. I wish I \_\_\_\_\_ (know) the answer
2. I regret \_\_\_\_\_ (not/study) harder

Complete the following sentences with the correct form of the verb in parentheses:

1. I wish I \_\_\_\_\_ (be) richer
2. I regret \_\_\_\_\_ (not/take) the opportunity

## Tense in Formal and Informal Writing

Read the following sentences and identify the correct form of the verb in parentheses:

1. The company \_\_\_\_\_ (announce) a new product last week
2. The manager \_\_\_\_\_ (say) that the meeting \_\_\_\_\_ (be) rescheduled

Complete the following sentences with the correct form of the verb in parentheses:

1. The new policy \_\_\_\_\_ (implement) next month
2. The CEO \_\_\_\_\_ (state) that the company \_\_\_\_\_ (expand) its operations

## Tense in Academic Writing

Read the following sentences and identify the correct form of the verb in parentheses:

1. The researcher \_\_\_\_\_ (conduct) a study on the effects of climate change
2. The data \_\_\_\_\_ (collect) over a period of five years

Complete the following sentences with the correct form of the verb in parentheses:

1. The study \_\_\_\_\_ (publish) in a reputable journal
2. The results \_\_\_\_\_ (analyze) using statistical software



## Conclusion

*Summarize the key points learned in this unit:*

*What are some common challenges you face when using tense in your writing and speaking?*

## Final Project

*Write a short essay using a variety of tenses to describe a personal experience:*

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