

Verb Tense Review

A. Simple Present Tense pages 2, 13

Used: habits, facts

Usual words: **every ...**, **usually**, **sometimes**, **never**, etc.

Remember: +s with he/she/it Question/Negative: do/does
Stative verbs (nonprogressive verbs) are like facts—only simple present (p.15)

1. My friend and I always _____ (speak) English together.
2. Terry _____ (work) as a cook at a big restaurant.
3. I _____ (think) Seattle is a beautiful city. = fact (not action)
4. _____ your father _____ (speak) English?

B. Present Progressive Tense pages 3, 13

Used: action happening NOW, at the present time

Usual words: **now**, **right now**, **this ...**, **today**

Remember: be verb + verb -ing Question/Negative: be verb

5. Larry and Susan _____ (build) a new house.
6. My sister _____ (wear) a red hat today.
7. I _____ (think) about my family right now. = action
8. _____ you _____ (work) this morning? (now)

C. Simple Past Tense pages 2, 22-23, 27

Used: finished action in the past

Usual words: **yesterday**, **in (1987)**, **last (week)**, **(3 days) ago**, **this ... (past)**

Remember: regular and irregular verbs Question/Negative: did

9. I _____ (forget) to do my homework last Monday.
10. Mr. And Mrs. Smith _____ (be) married in 1974.
11. When I _____ (be) a child, I _____ (like, not) vegetables.
12. _____ you _____ (work) this morning? (finished, past)

14. I _____ (live) in California for many years. I _____ (move) here two years ago.
15. When I _____ (open) the package, I _____ (find) a nice book.

D. Past Progressive Tense pages 3, 28

Used: to show an action happening at a specific time in the past or at the same time as another action in the past (not so common)

Usual words: **while, as, at (3:00) yesterday**

Remember: past be verb + verb -ing Question/Negative: be verb

17. While I _____ (brush) my teeth, the lights went out.
(long action) (short action)
18. Yesterday, while we _____ (clean) the bathroom, they
_____ (wash) the dishes. (two actions at the same time
in the past.)
19. What _____ your daughter _____ (do) last Monday at 4:30 PM?

E. Present Perfect pages 4, 36, 22-23

Used: to show a completed action sometime in the past (we don't know exactly when) to describe a repeated action, past up to now with a few words (work, play, study, teach) to show an action, past up to now

Usual words: **already, yet, never, ever** (question), (three) **times so far, since, for**

Remember: have/has + pp (careful for irregular verbs) Question/Negative: have/has

19. A: _____ you ever _____ (see) a famous person?
B: No, I _____.
20. I _____ (write) three letters so far this quarter.
21. Mark _____ (live) in Seattle since 1990.
22. They _____ (work) here for many years.
23. I _____ (finish, already) my homework, but I
_____ (clean, not) my room yet.

F. Present Perfect Progressive pages 5, 42

Used: to show an action that began in the past and is happening now
to describe a recent action
to describe an unfinished action

Usual words: all (day), recently, **lately**, **for**, **since**

Remember: have/has + been+ verb-ing Question/Negative: have/has

24. I'm really tired. I _____ (write) on the computer all day.
25. Stephanie _____ (read) that book for three weeks and she's still not finished.
26. A: What _____ (you, do) lately?
B: Oh, I _____ (work) a lot recently.
27. I'm sorry. My hands are dirty because I _____ (plant) flowers in the garden.
28. This line is too long. We _____ (stand) here since 2:00!

G. Simple Future page 2, 52, 55

Used: to describe a future action

Usual words: tomorrow, in (three days), next (year)

Remember: will + verb / be + going to + verb (especially for a plan)

Question/Negative: will / won't + verb

with future time words (before, after, when, as soon as, if, etc.) – use present tense with some fact words (plan, intend, want, hope) use present tense

29. In two weeks, my family and I _____ (fly) to New York.
30. What _____ (you, do) tomorrow evening?
31. After Sarah _____ (finish) high school next spring, she _____ (get) a job.
32. Next year, I _____ (plan) to take college classes.