

Verb Tenses

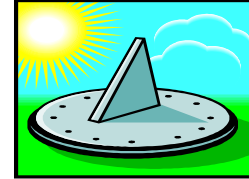
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Benchmark LA.8.4.2 - Form and use the following grammatical constructions correctly when editing writing: present perfect, past perfect, and future perfect tenses

The tense of a verb shows when an action occurs. You should know how to use the **simple tenses** of verbs: past, present, and future. Now you are going to learn about the **perfect tenses**. The **perfect tenses** show that an action was or will be completed before another time or action. To make a verb "perfect" you must add *has, have, had, or will or shall have*.



Present Tense:

A present-tense verb expresses an action that is going on _____ or shows something that happens _____.

Past Tense:

A past tense verb expresses an action that happened in the _____. Many past tense verbs end in _____.

Future Tense:

A future tense verb states an action that will take place in the _____. A helping verb (_____, _____, _____) helps a verb show the future tense.

Perfect Tenses- Perfect tenses deal with time also.

Present Perfect Tense: Uses _____ (singular) and _____ (plural)
A present perfect verb shows action that began in the _____ and continues or is completed in the _____.

Past Perfect Tense: Uses only _____.
A past perfect verb shows action that _____ and _____ in the past.

Future Perfect Tense: Add _____ or _____.
A future perfect verb shows action that will begin and end in the _____.