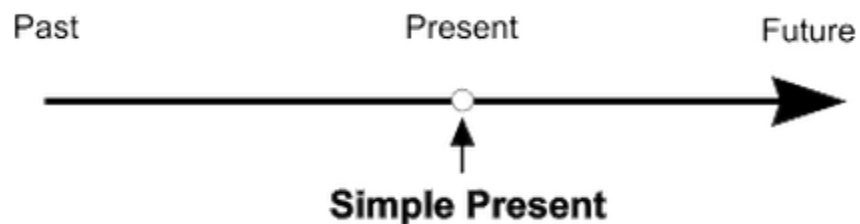


1. Simple Present Tense



Simple Present Tense is used to express

- A fact
 - John is an English Teacher.
 - Asia is the largest continent in the world.
- A repeated action
 - Ramesh eats his breakfast in the canteen.
 - Madu always forgets to switch of the lights.
- Scheduled actions
 - Rock Fort express leaves the platform at 10:30 p.m. every day.
 - The classes start at 8:30 a.m. on next Monday.

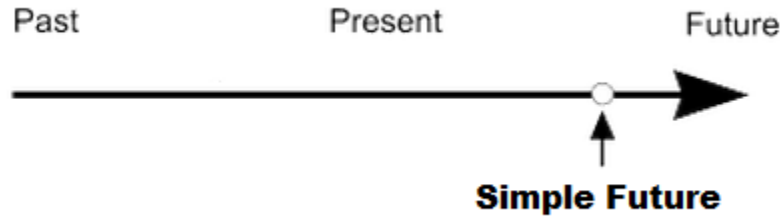
2. Simple Past Tense



Simple Past Tense is used to express

- Actions completed in the past
 - Magesh saw the movie *In Pursuit of Happiness* last weekend.
 - Last year, I visited the Seven Wonders of the World.
- A series of action completed in the past
 - I finished my target, argued for incentives, and got a good sum of money.
 - John locked the room at 10 a.m., reached the bus stand at 11.30 a.m. and received his friend at 11.45 a.m.
- Actions that covered duration in the past
 - Suresh and his family lived in Australia for the past 10 years.
 - Sheela and Geetha talked over the phone for 2 hours.

3. Simple Future Tense



Simple Future Tense is used to express

- A future voluntary action (will)
 - I will inform you once the order is ready.
 - The committee will announce its decision next week.
- A plan (is going to)
 - Kumar, with his family, is going to spend his vocation in Holland.
 - Shanthi is going to apply for engineering council next year.
- A prediction
 - Karthik will be the next student chairman of the college.
 - The movie Planes is going to will min 5 Oscars next year.

Activity 1

Underline the verbs in the following paragraph and rewrite the paragraph in the past tense:

I am happy and elated, whereas you are miserable and melancholy. They are brave and courageous; however she is timid and frightened. Everyone has different feelings – sometimes good; sometimes bad. We are all just human, after all.

Activity 2

Using the words in parentheses, complete the text below with the appropriate tenses forms:

Rajesh : After you (leave) _____ college, will you please drop by the bakery and pick up some milk and bread?

Geetha : No problem, I (pick) _____ them up and be home by 6 o'clock.

Rajesh : Great. You will probably get home before I (do) _____.

Activity 3

Write down the missing sentence in the column below:

Subject	Sentence 1 (declarative)	Sentence 2 (negative)	Sentence 3 (Question)
John	John eats his breakfast.	-----	-----
He	-----	He is not a person we are searching for.	-----
She	-----	-----	Is she happy with the money?

Activity 4

Complete the questions and then answer.

1. ____ (do/does) you ____ (get/gets) up at 6 a.m.?

Yes, _____.

2. _____ (do/does) Sandiya _____ (do/does) the homework on time?

No, _____.

3. _____ (do/does) your maid _____ (clean/cleans) your living room?

Yes, _____.

4. _____ (do/does) you _____ (speak/speaks) English?

Yes, _____.

5. _____ (do/does) Chitra _____ (climb/climbs) a tree?

No, _____.

Activity 5

Fill in the blanks with simple past tense form of verbs given in the brackets.

1. Last year John (go) _____ to Las Vegas on holiday.
2. It (be) _____ fantastic.
3. He (visit) _____ lots of interesting places. He (be) _____ with four friends.
4. In the mornings they (walk) _____ in the streets of Vegas.
5. In the evenings they (go) _____ to pubs.
6. The weather (be) _____ pleasant.
7. It (not / rain) _____ a lot.
8. But they (see) _____ some beautiful rainbows.
9. Where (spend / you) _____ your last holiday?

Activity 6

Fill in the blanks with simple future tense form of verbs given in the brackets.

A yogi in the Himalayas is telling the following sentences to Karthik.

1. You (be) _____ very happy.
2. You (get) _____ a lot of money in your business.
3. You (buy) _____ a fabulous villa.
4. Your enemies (envy) _____ you.
5. You (meet) _____ a beautiful and kind girl.
6. You (marry) _____ her with the blessing of your parents.
7. You and your wife (travel) _____ around the world.
8. People (serve) _____ you.
9. They (not/refuse) _____ to make you happy.
10. But all this (happen / only) _____ when you are 70 years old.