



Verb Tenses

Simple Tenses

Tense	Time Line	Time	Verb Form
Present I <u>sleep</u> She <u>sleeps</u>		Present indicates that an action is happening right now or that the action is either routine or factual.	Present: <u>sleep</u> <u>sleeps</u>
Past I <u>slept</u>		Past	Past: <u>slept</u>
Future I <u>will sleep</u>		Future	Present preceded by will: <u>will sleep</u>

Perfect Tenses

Tense	Time Line	Time	Verb Form
Present Perfect I <u>have slept</u>		Indicates that an action was completed at some point in the past and may continue to the present	Formed by <u>have</u> or <u>has</u> plus the past tense of the verb: <u>have slept</u>
Past Perfect I <u>had slept</u>		Indicates that an action was completed at some point in the past before something else happened	Formed by <u>had</u> plus the past tense of the verb: <u>had slept</u>
Future Perfect I <u>will have slept</u>		Indicates that an action will be completed some time in the future before something else happens	Formed by <u>will have</u> plus the past tense of the verb: <u>will have slept</u>



Progressive Tenses

Tense	Time Line	Time	Verb Form
Present Progressive I <u>am</u> sleeping		Indicates that an action is going on now	Formed with <u>is</u> , <u>am</u> , or <u>are</u> plus the present tense of the verb with an -ing ending <u>am</u> sleeping
Past Progressive I <u>was</u> sleeping		Indicates that an action was in progress in the past	Formed with <u>was</u> or <u>were</u> plus the present tense of the verb with an -ing ending <u>was</u> sleeping
Future Progressive I <u>will be</u> sleeping		Indicates that an action will be in progress in the future	Formed with <u>will be</u> plus the present tense of a verb with an -ing ending <u>will be</u> sleeping

Perfect Progressive Tenses

Tense	Time Line	Time	Verb Form
Present Perfect Progressive I <u>have been</u> sleeping		Indicates that an action began in the past and has continued to the present	Formed with <u>have been</u> or <u>has been</u> plus the present tense of a verb with an -ing ending <u>have been</u> sleeping
Past Perfect Progressive I <u>had been</u> sleeping		Indicates that an action began and ended some time in the past before another event	Formed with <u>had been</u> plus the present tense of a verb with an -ing ending <u>have been</u> sleeping
Future Perfect Progressive I <u>will have been</u> sleeping		Indicates that an action will continue to the future and be completed before another event happens	Formed with <u>will have been</u> plus the present tense of a verb with an -ing ending <u>will have been</u> sleeping