



Tenses Overview

Tense	Usage	Example
Present Simple	Habits, facts, routines	"I study every day."
Present Continuous	Actions happening now	"I am studying right now."
Present Perfect	Past actions with present relevance	"I have studied English for 5 years."
Past Simple	Completed past actions	"I studied yesterday."
Past Continuous	Past actions in progress	"I was studying when you called."
Past Perfect	Action before another past action	"I had studied before the exam."
Future Simple	Future predictions, decisions	"I will study tomorrow."
Future Continuous	Future actions in progress	"I will be studying at 8pm."

Common Prepositions

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IN	Months, years, cities, countries	"In January, in London"
ON	Days, dates, surfaces	"On Monday, on the table"
AT	Times, specific places	"At 3pm, at the office"
TO	Direction, recipient	"Go to school, give to her"
FOR	Duration, purpose	"For 3 years, for you"
WITH	Accompaniment, means	"With a friend, with a pen"

Common Mistakes to Avoid

- **Your vs. You're:** "Your" shows possession. "You're" is short for "you are".
- **There vs. Their vs. They're:** "There" = a place. "Their" = belonging to them. "They're" = they are.
- **I vs. Me:** "I" = subject. "Me" = object. (She and I went. It was for me.)
- **Its vs. It's:** "Its" = belonging to it. "It's" = it is.
- **Effect vs. Affect:** "Effect" = noun. "Affect" = verb.

Modal Verbs

Modal	Usage	Example
CAN	Ability, permission	"I can speak English."

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COULD	Past ability, polite request	<i>"I could swim, could you help?"</i>
MAY	Permission, possibility	<i>"May I come in? It may rain."</i>
MUST	Obligation	<i>"You must study for the exam."</i>
SHOULD	Advice, recommendation	<i>"You should practice daily."</i>
WILL	Future, promise	<i>"I will help you."</i>