

Verb tenses tell us when things happen.

Events can happen in the

Past

Present

Future



Present

I play (simple)I am playing (continuous)(continuous)

Past

I played (simple)
I was playing

THE WONDERFUL 'WAS'

THE WORD WAS WILL CHARGE A PRESENT TENSE VERB INTO A PAST TENSE SENTENCES!

I WAS RUNNING (AWAY FROM YEAR 6). LUCY WAS DANCING. JOSEPH WAS PLAYING FOOTBALL.



If have is used the verbs are perfect

Present perfect

I have played (simple)
I have been playing (continuous)

Past perfect

I had played (simple)
I had been playing
(continuous)



Future

Further time can be expressed in a number of ways using will or present tenses

John <u>will arrive</u> tomorrow.

John <u>will be arriving</u> tomorrow.

John <u>is going to arrive</u> tomorrow.

John <u>is arriving</u> tomorrow.

John <u>arrives</u> tomorrow.

The Past

This is when an event has already happened.



I <u>walked</u> across to buy some sweets from the shop.

I shouted to my brother in the playground.

I ran down the lane with the dog.

The Present

This is when an event is actually happening.



I <u>am walking</u> across to buy some sweets from the shop.

I am shouting to my brother in the playground.

lam running down the lane with the dog.

The Future

This is when an event has not taken place yet.



I will shout to my brother in the playground.

I will run down the lane with the dog.

Look at each of these sentences and decide what tense it has been written in.

We went for a walk.



George will rush into school today.

City beat United 6-0 last week.



Lucy will be driving me to school today.

Future

I am smelling my supper cooking in the kitchen.

present

Shelley will be coming for lunch on Sunday.

Can you make the following sentences into the past, the present and the future tense?

I like going to Manchester with my Mum.

I like going to Manchester with my Mum.

PRESENT

I liked going to Manchester with my Mum.

PAST

I will like going to Manchester with my Mum. FUTURE



I will laugh at the clown in the circus.

I am laughing at the clown in the circus.

I laughed at the clown in the circus.

I will laugh at the clown in the circus.

I swam in the pool on Wednesday.

I am swimming in the pool on Wednesday.

I swam in the pool on Wednesday.

I will swim in the pool on Wednesday.

PRESENT

PAST

FUTURE

PRESENT

PAST

FUTURE

