

VERB TENSES

Verb tenses describe if an action takes place in the past, present, or future. Verb tenses may also describe if an action is ongoing, completed or lasted a specific duration of time.

PAST TENSE:

• Past simple- a past action

Example: I did

• Past progressive- an ongoing past action, or parallel past actions

Example: I was doing

• Past perfect- a completed past action, or the duration of a completed action

Example: I had done

Past perfect progressive- an on going past action completed

Example: I had been doing

PRESENT TENSE:

• Present simple- a repeated present action

Example: I do

Present progressive- an ongoing present action, or an action planned for the future

Example: I am doing

• Present perfect- a completed past action, or the duration of a completed action

Example: I have done

Present perfect progressive-an ongoing action begun in the past, or a continuous duration

Example: I have been doing

FUTURE TENSE:

• Future simple- a future action

Example: I will do

• Future progressive- an ongoing future action

Example: I will be doing

• Future perfect- a completed future action

Example: I will have done

• Future perfect progressive- a duration in the future

Example: I will have been doing