

TENSES

PAST TENSE

POWER POINT PRESENTATION

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Past Tense Verbs

Past tense verbs describe an action that has happened in the past.

Many past tense verbs are formed by adding, "ed", to the verb.

play - played



The children played in the park yesterday.





TYPES OF PAST TENSE



Past Tense

Past

Past Indefinite Tense

Past Continuous Tense

Past Perfect Tense

Past Perfect Cont. Tense

Past Tense

Simple Past

Action started in past and completed in past itself
V=past form(V2=did+v1)

Past Continuous

Action in progress in past at specific point of time
Verb=was\were +V1+Ing

Past Perfect

States about an action completed before another action took place in past
Verb=had+ V3

Past Perfect Continuous

Started in past continued for some time and ended in past
Verb=had+been+V1+Ing

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Continuous
Past
Tense



Verb=had+been+V1+Ing
Started in past continued for some time and ended in past

The Simple Past Tense



walk - walked



eat - ate

3. **The Simple Past** can be used with a duration which starts and stops in the past. A duration is a longer action often indicated by expressions such as: for two years, for five minutes, all day, all year, etc.

Examples:

- ❖ I **lived** in Brazil for two years.
- ❖ Ruti **studied** Japanese for five years.
- ❖ They **sat** at the beach all day.
- ❖ They **did not stay** at the party the entire time.
- ❖ We **talked** on the phone for thirty minutes.



PAST SIMPLE TENSE

TO BE

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S + Was/were

They were friends.

-

S + was not/were not + ...

They weren't friends.

?

Was/Were + S + ...?

They weren't friends.

VERBS

S + V-ed

She worked yesterday.

S + did not + verb (base form)

She didn't work yesterday.

Did + S + verb (in base form)?

Did she work yesterday?

Usage

To express completed action in the past

To describe a series of completed actions in the past

To express habits in the past

For stative verbs (have (own), be, think (believe), know, dislike, need, owe, wish

Example

I saw a ghost last Friday.

I finished work, walked to the beach, and found a nice place to swim.

When I was young, I watched lots of television every day after school.

He had a small cottage in the woods.

Simple Past (Examples)

Action that was completed in the past:

Tom went fishing last week.

I worked until 2:00 p.m. yesterday.

My family came to visit me last year.



*Time Expressions frequently used with the simple past:

yesterday, last _____,

past dates (in 1990), _____ ago, etc.

POSITIVE

He met his wife 6 years ago.
I graduated from the university.
They watched a movie yesterday.
You went to the bed early.
She studied in the library.
They had dinner last night.
He felt sad yesterday.
We made a cake for you.
The police found some clues.
I became a teacher two years ago.



NEGATIVE

He didn't meet her.
I didn't graduate.
They didn't watch a movie.
You didn't go to the bed early.
She didn't study in the library.
They didn't have dinner.
The police didn't find any clues.
I didn't become a teacher.
He didn't feel sad yesterday.
We didn't make a cake for you.

QUESTION

Did he feel sad yesterday?
Did they watch a movie?
Did he meet her?
Did she study in the library?
Did the police find any clues?
Did we make a cake for you?
Did you go to the bed early?
Did they have dinner last night?
Did I graduate?
Did I become a teacher?



Examples:

- I **saw** a movie yesterday.
- I **didn't see** a play yesterday.
- Last year, I **traveled** to Japan.
- Last year, I **didn't travel** to Korea.
- **Did you have** dinner last night?
- She **washed** her car.
- He **didn't wash** his car.

Past Continuous Tense

Past Continuous Tense is to describe an action or activity going on at sometime in the past.



PAST CONTINUOUS TENSE

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S + was/were + V-ing

She was cooking all morning.

-

S + was/were + not + V-ing

She was not sleeping when he came home.

?

Was/were + S + V-ing?

Was she sleeping when he came home?

Past Continuous Tense

Past continuous tense expresses the actions or task that were ongoing in the past. We cannot determine when the action started or finished.



- Sub + was/were + V1(-ing)
- He was traveling to Venice.



- Sub + was/were + not + V1(-ing)
- He was not traveling to Venice.



- Was/were + Sub + V1(-ing) + ?
- Was he traveling to Venice?

Affirmative	Negative	Interrogative
I was playing.	I wasn't playing.	Was I playing?
You were playing.	You weren't playing.	Were you playing?
He was playing.	He wasn't playing.	Was he playing?
She was playing.	She wasn't playing.	Was she playing?
It was playing.	It wasn't playing.	Was it playing?
We were playing.	We weren't playing.	Were we playing?
You were playing.	You weren't playing.	Were you playing?
They were playing.	They weren't playing.	Were they playing?



Positive Sentences

- You **were watching** television last night.
- They **were studying** math yesterday.
- I **was washing** the dishes when the phone rang.
- As she **was reading** the book, Alice came.
- It **was raining** yesterday evening.

Negative Sentences

- You **were not watching** television last night.
- They **were not studying** math yesterday.
- I **was not washing** the dishes when the phone rang.
- As she **was not reading** the book, Alice came.
- It **was not raining** yesterday evening.

Question Sentences

- **Were you watching** television last night?
- **Were they studying** math yesterday?
- **Was I washing** the dishes when the phone rang?
- **Was she reading** the book when they came?
- **Was it raining** yesterday evening?

PAST PERFECT TENSE

USE:

- ✓ When two actions occurred in the past.
- ✓ Speak the first action in past perfect tense.
- ✓ Speak the second action in simple past.

The Past Perfect Tense

Pattern: had + past participle

It is used when there are two actions, one happens earlier than other. We use Past Perfect for the first action and Simple Past for the second. For example,

Example 1: He had done his homework before he went to play.

Example 2: After they had had dinner, they returned home.

PAST PERFECT TENSE

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S + had + past participle + ...

She had finished the test.

-

S + had not/hadn't + past participle + ...

She hadn't finished the test.

?

Had + S + past participle + ...?

Had she finished the test?

Usage

Example

+	-	?
I had been working	I hadn't been working	Had I been working?
You had been working	You hadn't been working	Had you been working?
He/she/it had been working	He/she/it had been working	Had he/she/it been working?
We had been working	We hadn't been working	Had we been working?
You had been working	You hadn't been working	Had you been working?
They had been working	They hadn't been working	Had they been working?

working They had been	working They hadn't been	working? Had they been
working	working	working?

Positive Sentences

- I went there after I **had completed** the task.
- She **had come** late to the school.
- She **had done** her homework so she was happy.
- He **had lived** in Florida for ten years before he moved to California.
- They **had gone** out when you called.
- By the time we came, she **had finished** the project.

Negative Sentences

- They **had not (hadn't)** been married when I was born.
- Until he went to England, he **had not (hadn't)** spoken English.
- You **had not (hadn't)** studied hard.
- She **had not (hadn't)** done her homework so she was sad.
- He **had not (hadn't)** lived in Florida.
- They **had not (hadn't)** gone out when you called.

Question Sentences

- **Had** they **been married** when I was born?
- **Had** he **spoken** English until he went to England?
- **Had** she **done** her homework?
- **Had** he **lived** in Florida?
- **Had** they **gone** out when you called?
- **Had** the woman **cried** till the morning?

Past Perfect Tense

<u>Affirmative</u>	<u>Negative</u>	<u>Interrogative</u>
I ^{verb + ed} <u>had decided.</u> !	I <u>hadn't decided.</u>	Had I decided?
<u>You had decided.</u>	<u>You hadn't decided.</u>	Had you decided?
<u>He/ She/It</u> had decided.	<u>He/She/It</u> hadn't decided. _!_	Had he/she/it decided ?
<u>We</u> had decided.	<u>We</u> hadn't decided.	Had we decided?
<u>They</u> had decided.	<u>They</u> hadn't decided.	Had they decided?



**PAST
PERFECT
CONTINUOUS
TENSE**

Past Perfect Continuous Tense

Past Perfect Continuous Tense is used to express a continued or ongoing action that started in past and is continued until sometime in past. There will always a **time reference** like – for a few days, for ten months, for 2 years, since Wednesday, since 2011, since January etc.

SUBJECT	HELPING VERB	MAIN VERB	Object
I WE YOU THEY HE SHE IT	Had been	Main Verb = Base form (V1)+ Ing (Present Participle Form)	

PAST PERFECT CONTINUOUS TENSE

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S + had + been + V-ing

They had been playing tennis.

-

S + had not / hadn't + been + V-ing

They hadn't been playing tennis.

?

Had + S + been + V-ing ?

Had they been playing tennis?

Usage

Example



Positive Sentences

- Thomas **had been trying** to repair the phone the whole day.
- We **had been studying** all day so we tired.
- Helen **had been listening** the same music for 4 hours when I came back home.
- Daniel **had been watching** TV for hours before he slept.
- You **had been walking** all afternoon on the beach.

Negative Sentences

- He **had not (hadn't) been reading** a book.
- I **had not been cooking** any meal when she came to my home.
- You **had not been studying** English all day.
- The actor **had not (hadn't) been working** since morning.
- The teacher **had not been showing** us a video when the bell rang.

Question Sentences

- **Had** her daughter **been eating** anything all day?
- **Had** she **been working** all day?
- **Had** he **been reading** a book?
- **Had** he **been cooking** any meal when she came to my home?
- **Had** the actor **been working** since morning?

Examples:

- They had been talking for over an hour before Tony arrived.
- She had been working at that company for three years when it went out of business.
- How long had you been waiting to get on the bus?
- Mike wanted to sit down because he had been standing all day at work.
- James had been teaching at the university for more than a year before he left for Asia.
- A: How long had you been studying Turkish before you moved to Ankara?
B: I had not been studying Turkish very long.

Simple Past Tense

I *did*
We *did*
You *did*
You *did*
They *did*
He/She/It *did*

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Past Continuous Tense

I *was* doing
We *were* doing
You *were* doing
You *were* doing
They *were* doing
He/She/It *was* doing

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Past Perfect Tense

I *had* done
We *had* done
You *had* done
You *had* done
They *had* done
He/She/It *had* done

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Past Perfect Continuous Tense

I *had been* doing
We *had been* doing
You *had been* doing
You *had been* doing
They *had been* doing
He/She/It *had been* doing

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