

Verb Tenses	Past	Present	Future
<b>Simple</b>	<p><b>Affirmative:</b> Subject + past form of the verb+ object. Rita <b>wrote</b> stories in her notebook.</p> <p><b>Negative:</b> Subject+ <b>did not</b> + base form of the verb + object. Rita <b>did not write</b> stories in her notebook.</p> <p><b>Interrogative:</b> <b>Did</b> + subject + root form of the verb + object? <b>Did</b> Rita <b>write</b> stories in her notebook?</p>	<p><b>Affirmative:</b> Subject + base form of the verb+(s/es) + object. Rita <b>writes</b> stories in her notebook.</p> <p><b>Negative:</b> Subject + <b>do/does</b> + not + base form of the verb + object. Rita <b>does not write</b> stories in her notebook.</p> <p><b>Interrogative:</b> <b>Do/Does</b> + subject + base form of the verb + object? <b>Does</b> Rita <b>write</b> stories in her notebook?</p>	<p><b>Affirmative:</b> Subject + will/shall + base form of the verb+ object. Rita <b>will write</b> stories in her notebook.</p> <p><b>Negative:</b> Subject+ <b>will/shall not</b> + base form of the verb + object. Rita <b>will not write</b> stories in her notebook.</p> <p><b>Interrogative:</b> <b>Will/shall</b> + subject + base form of the verb + object? <b>Will</b> Rita <b>write</b> stories in her notebook?</p>
	<p><b>Affirmative:</b> Subject + was/were + -ing form of the verb + object. Rita <b>was writing</b> stories in her notebook.</p> <p><b>Negative:</b> Subject + was/were + not + -ing form of the verb + object. Rita <b>was not writing</b> stories in her notebook.</p> <p><b>Interrogative:</b> <b>Was/were</b> + subject + -ing form of the verb + object? <b>Was</b> Rita <b>writing</b> stories in her notebook?</p>	<p><b>Affirmative:</b> Subject + is/am/are + -ing form of the verb + object. Rita <b>is writing</b> stories in her notebook.</p> <p><b>Negative:</b> Subject + is/am/are + not + -ing form of the verb + object. Rita <b>is not writing</b> stories in her notebook.</p> <p><b>Interrogative:</b> <b>Is/am/are</b> + subject + -ing form of the verb + object? <b>Is</b> Rita <b>writing</b> stories in her notebook?</p>	<p><b>Affirmative:</b> Subject + will be/shall be + -ing form of the verb + object. Rita <b>will be writing</b> stories in her notebook.</p> <p><b>Negative:</b> Subject + will not be/shall not be + -ing form of the verb+ object. Rita <b>will not be writing</b> stories in her notebook.</p> <p><b>Interrogative:</b> <b>Will/shall</b> + subject + be + -ing form of the verb + object? <b>Will</b> Rita <b>be writing</b> stories in her notebook?</p>
<b>Continuous</b>	<p><b>Affirmative:</b> Subject + had + past participle form of the verb + object. Rita <b>had written</b> stories in her notebook.</p> <p><b>Negative:</b> Subject+ had + not+ past participle form of the verb + object. Rita <b>had not written</b> stories in her notebook.</p> <p><b>Interrogative:</b> <b>Had</b> + subject + past participle form of the verb + object? <b>Had</b> Rita <b>written</b> stories in her notebook?</p>	<p><b>Affirmative:</b> Subject + has/have + past participle form of the verb + object. Rita <b>has written</b> stories in her notebook.</p> <p><b>Negative:</b> Subject + has/have + not + past participle form of the verb + object. Rita <b>has not written</b> stories in her notebook.</p> <p><b>Interrogative:</b> <b>Has/Have</b> + subject + past participle form of the verb + object? <b>Has</b> Rita <b>written</b> stories in her notebook?</p>	<p><b>Affirmative:</b> Subject + will have/shall have + past participle form of the verb+ object. Rita <b>will have written</b> stories in her notebook.</p> <p><b>Negative:</b> Subject + will not have / shall not have + past participle form of the verb+ object. Rita <b>will not have written</b> stories in her notebook.</p> <p><b>Interrogative:</b> <b>Will/shall</b> + subject + past participle form of the verb + object? <b>Will</b> Rita <b>have written</b> stories in her notebook?</p>
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## PERSONIFICATION

Personification is a figure of speech in which a thing, an idea or an animal is assigned some human attributes. The non-human entities are portrayed in human-like forms.

### Examples:

- The **flowers danced** in the gentle breeze.  
The movement of the flowers was as if they were dancing to music.
- The **wind whistled** throughout the day.  
The sound that the wind made was as if someone was whistling.
- The **stars winked** at me.  
The twinkling of the stars felt as if someone was winking.
- The delicious **smell of the cookies pulled** me to the kitchen.  
The aroma of the cookies was as if someone was pulling a person towards them.
- The **carved pumpkin smiled** at me.  
It was as if the pumpkin was a human who was smiling.
- The **tree waved goodbye** as the school bus passed by.  
As the tree swayed, it felt as if the branches were saying goodbye.
- Gautam's **pencil was flying** across the page.  
The pencil and its movement across the page felt as if someone was flying across the field.
- The **garden is sad** now that the children have gone home.



As the children left, the garden has been shown to express a feeling of sadness.

- The **car is screaming** to be washed.  
As humans scream in anger or in frustration, so is the car shown to be screaming in frustration.
- The **laptop has a brain** of its own.  
The laptop has been compared to a human because of its intelligence.



## The Grammar Connect



## IDIOMS

### 1. Feather in one's cap

**Meaning:** an achievement to be proud of  
This idiom comes from the Native American custom of giving a feather to somebody who had been very brave in battle.

#### Example:

The overwhelming victory of the hockey team was a feather in the cap of the new coach.



### 2. Ants in your pants

**Meaning:** to be very excited or impatient about something and unable to stay still

#### Example:

He's got **ants in his pants** because he's going to a party tonight.

### 3. Cool as a cucumber

**Meaning:** very calm and controlled, especially in a difficult situation

#### Example:

When everything seems to be going wrong, Grandma stays as cool as a cucumber.

### 4. A hard nut to crack

**Meaning:** a difficult problem or situation to deal with

#### Example:

The assignment is a hard nut to crack. I won't be able to complete it on time.

### 5. Ring a bell

**Meaning:** to sound familiar to you, as though you have heard it before

#### Example:

Peter Bentley? The name rings a bell, but I can't think where we met.

### 6. Till the cows come home

**Meaning:** for a very long time; for ever

#### Example:

You can ask me till the cows come home, but I'm not buying you an iPad.

### 7. Under the weather

**Meaning:** feeling slightly ill/sick and not as well as usual

#### Example:

After I had that sandwich for lunch, I am feeling a bit under the weather.

### 8. Sit on the fence

**Meaning:** to avoid taking sides in a discussion or an argument

#### Example:

When my friends have an argument, it is best to sit on the fence and not make either of them angry.

### 9. On cloud nine

**Meaning:** to be very happy because something wonderful has happened

#### Example:

When I won the spelling bee contest, I was on cloud nine.

