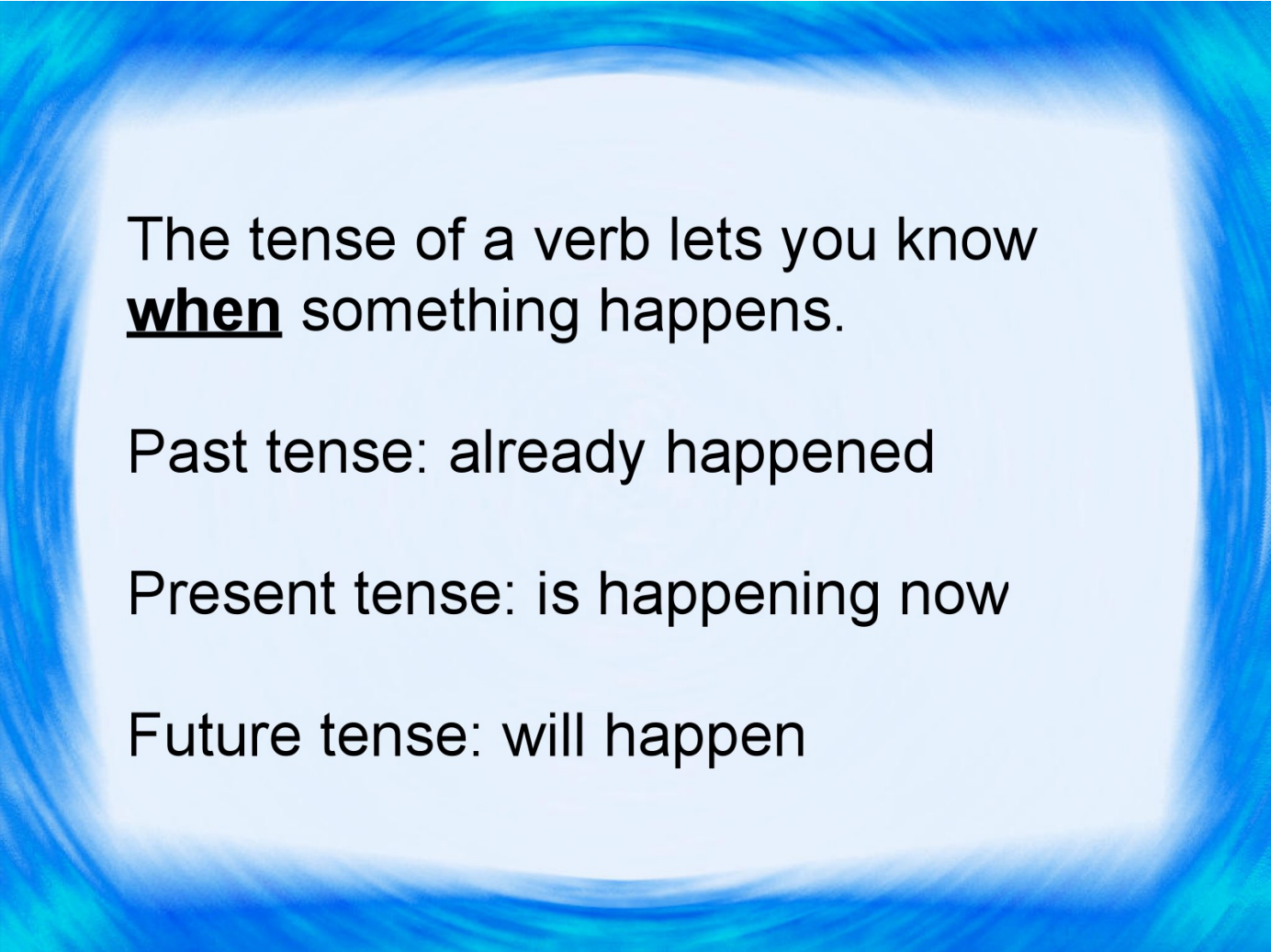


Verb Tenses: **Past, Present, and Future**



The tense of a verb lets you know **when** something happens.

Past tense: already happened

Present tense: is happening now

Future tense: will happen

Past Tense

A past tense verb shows that something already happened.

To form the past tense, add *-ed* to the end of most verbs.

To make some verbs past tense, you must double the consonant or change *y* to *i* first. Some verbs don't follow the rules and you must memorize their past tense form

Examples: Emily asked us to go.
She cried during the movie.
The boy rode his bike.

Write the verbs in the Past tense.

The boy _____ in the puddle. (jump)

I _____ apples at the orchard. (pick)

We _____ ice cream cones. (eat)

He _____ for the train at the station. (wait)

The rabbit _____ away from me. (hop)

She _____ for her shoes. (look)

Present Tense

A present tense verb shows something that happens now or happens regularly over time.

Add -s or -es to most verbs if the subject is singular. For some verbs, you must change *y* to *i* first.

Do not add -s or -es if the subject is plural or if the subject is "*I*" or "*you*."

Examples: She sits in her chair.

They watch tv.

We go to school everyday.

Special Notes for Present Tense verbs:

Add -s or -es to most verbs if the subject is singular.

subject

She walks to school.

-s added with singular subject

Do not add -s or -es if the subject is plural or if the subject is "I" or "you."

subject

They push the stroller.

no -s added with plural subject

subject

I watch my brother play.

no -s added to "I" singular subject

subject

You eat very quickly.

no -s added to "you" singular subject

Write the verbs in the Present tense.

Alex _____ in his journal. (write)

I _____ the ball to my friend. (throw)

The boy and girl _____ on the bench. (sit)

The child _____ at the clown. (laugh)

People _____ sunny days. (like)

We _____ up the mountain. (climb)

Future Tense

A future tense verb shows that something is going to happen.

To form the future tense, use the helping verb *will* or *shall* with the main verb.

The future tense can also be formed by using *'is going to'* or *'are going to'* with the main verb.

Examples: She will bake a cake.
We shall ride the bus.
He is going to visit them.

Write the verbs in the Future tense.

Susan _____ a cake for me. (bake)

My cousins _____ in June. (visit)

The baby _____ his toy. (rattle)

I _____ for six hours. (sleep)

We _____ to the teacher. (listen)

They _____ for directions. (ask)

Write the verb (**feed**) in the correct tense.

A long time ago, the man _____ the cat. **Past**

Yesterday, the man _____ the cat. **Past**

Today, the man _____ the cat. **Present**

Tomorrow, the man _____ the cat. **Future**

In the future, the man _____ the cat. **Future**

Write the verb (**buy**) in the correct tense.

We _____ new clothes for school. Future

I _____ a computer last year. Past

Alex _____ groceries yesterday. Past

Yoon _____ flowers for her mother. Present

Tomorrow, they _____ pizza for dinner. Future

TIC-TAC-TOE: Identify Past, Present, or Future to "win" a square.

We will take a test on
Friday.

Yesterday, we visited
our grandparents.

I wash the dishes after
dinner.

I swam in the ocean
during Spring Break.

She needs to finish her
homework.

She is going to take the
train to Georgia.

They watch *SpongeBob
SquarePants* on tv.

He will ride his bike to
school next week.

The girls braided their
hair for picture day.

TIC-TAC-TOE: Write the verb in the correct tense to "win" a square.

We _____ the
movie yesterday.

(watch - past)

Kangaroos _____
faster than I run.

(hop - present)

They _____ the
cake we baked.

(like - future)

I _____ pink
and purple flowers.

(like - present)

She _____ the
baby crawl on the floor.

(watch - present)

The rabbit _____
across the field.

(hop - past)

The frog _____
off of the lily pad.

(hop - future)

Amy _____ the
surprise party.

(like - past)

He _____ tv
after his homework.

(watch - future)

TIC-TAC-TOE: Write the verb in the correct tense or identify the tense to "win" a square.

They _____ him
a present for his
birthday.

(give - past)

I will go to the mall with
my friends.

We _____
lunch at 11 o'clock.

(eat - future)

We always call our
mother on Sundays.

Robert _____
delicious cupcakes.

(make - present)

She skipped down the
sidewalk.

The baby _____
if you take his bottle.

(cry - future)

He lost his homework .

Alice _____ the
book was on the desk.

(say - past)

