



Present:

Use	Describing routines, regular events or facts, feelings or states
Structure	→ I/you/we/they + <i>Infinitive</i> → he/she/it + <i>Infinitive</i> + s
Signal words	always, never, often, seldom, rarely, sometimes, usually, normally, regularly, etc. every day, every week, every month, ...
Positive statement	I walk, she walks, they take, he takes
Negative statement	I don't walk, she doesn't walk, they don't take, he doesn't take
Question	Do I walk? Does she walk? Do they take? Does he take?

Present: Present Progressive

Use	Describing things that happen at the moment of speech or things that happen exceptionally; talking about a plan that happens in the near future
Structure	am/are/is (simple present form of to be) + <i>Infinitive</i> + ing
Signal words	at the moment, right now, just, now, at present, currently, Look!
Positive statement	I am walking, she is walking, they are taking, he is taking
Negative statement	I am not walking, she isn't walking, they aren't taking, he isn't taking



Question	Am I walking? Is she walking? Are they taking? Is he taking?
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Past: Simple Past

Use	Talking about things that happened in the past and are completed or over at the moment of speech
Structure	→ Regular verbs: <i>Infinitive</i> + ed → Irregular verbs: simple past form
Signal words	yesterday, the other day, in 2009, when, at that time two days ago, a week ago, a month ago, ... last night, last week, last month, ...
Positive statement	I walked, she walked, they took, he took
Negative statement	I didn't walk, she didn't walk, they didn't take, he didn't take
Question	Did I walk? Did she walk? Did they take? Did he take?

Past: Past Progressive

Use	Describing actions or things that were in progress in the past, even if something else suddenly interrupted this progress
Structure	was/were (simple past form of to be) + <i>Infinitive</i> + ing
Signal words	while
Positive statement	I was walking, she was walking, they were taking, he was taking



Negative statement	I wasn't walking, she wasn't walking, they weren't taking, he wasn't taking
Question	Was I walking? Was she walking? Were they taking? Was he taking?

Past: Present Perfect Simple

Use	Emphasising the result of something, talking about things that happened at an unknown time in the past, describing things that happened in the past and are not yet completed or over at the moment of speech
Structure	have/has (simple present form of to have) + past participle
Signal words	since, for, already, yet, before, ever, never, still not, so far, just, up to now, recently, until now
Positive statement	I have walked, she has walked, they have taken, he has taken
Negative statement	I haven't walked, she hasn't walked, they haven't taken, he hasn't taken
Question	Have I walked? Has she walked? Have they taken? Has he taken?

Past: Present Perfect Progressive

Use	Emphasising the duration of something, describing things that started happening in the past and are still going on at the moment of speech and/or influence the present
Structure	have/has (simple present form of to have) + been + <i>Infinitive</i> + ing



Signal words	for, since, how long, all day, all day long, the whole day/week/month/year
Positive statement	I have been walking, she has been walking, they have been taking, he has been taking
Negative statement	I haven't been walking, she hasn't been walking, they haven't been taking, he hasn't been taking
Question	Have I been walking? Has she been walking? Have they been taking? Has he been taking?

Past: Past Perfect Simple

Use	Emphasising that something in the past stopped or was over when something else began, describing the fact that something happened before a certain time
Structure	had (simple past form of to have) + past participle
Signal words	already, until that day, never, just
Positive statement	I had walked, she had walked, they had taken, he had taken
Negative statement	I hadn't walked, she hadn't walked, they hadn't taken, he hadn't taken
Question	Had I walked? Had she walked? Had they taken? Had he taken?

Past: Past Perfect Progressive

Use	Emphasising the progress or duration of something, describing things that happened in the past and stopped or were over at a certain time later in the past
Structure	had (simple past form of to have) + been + <i>Infinitive</i> + ing



Signal words	for, since, how long, all day, after, before
Positive statement	I had been walking, she had been walking, they had been taking, he had been taking
Negative statement	I hadn't been walking, she hadn't been walking, they hadn't been taking, he hadn't been taking
Question	Had I been walking? Had she been walking? Had they been taking? Had he been taking?

Future: Will-Future

Use	Describing things that will certainly happen in the future, talking about expectations, hopes or assumptions, spontaneous decisions
Structure	will + <i>Infinitive</i>
Signal words	tomorrow, next week/month/year, in 2021, expect, believe, hope, suppose, think, probably
Positive statement	I will walk, she will walk, they will take, he will take
Negative statement	I won't walk, she won't walk, they won't take, he won't take
Question	Will I walk? Will she walk? Will they take? Will he take?

Future: Going-to-Future

Use	Describing plans and aims in the future, implications, talking about things that will happen in the near future
Structure	am/are/is (simple present form of to be) + going to + <i>Infinitive</i>
Signal words	tomorrow, next week/month/year, in 2011



Positive statement	I am going to walk, she is going to walk, they are going to take, he is going to take
Negative statement	I am not going to walk, she isn't going to walk, they aren't going to take, he isn't going to take
Question	Am I going to walk? Is she going to walk? Are they going to take? Is he going to take?

Future: Future Progressive

Use	Describing things that will be in progress in the future, talking about things that usually happen in the future
Structure	will + be + <i>Infinitive</i> + ing
Signal words	tomorrow, next week/month/year, in 2041
Positive statement	I will be walking, she will be walking, they will be taking, he will be taking
Negative statement	I won't be walking, she won't be walking, they won't be taking, he won't be taking
Question	Will I be walking? Will she be walking? Will they be taking? Will he be taking?

Future: Future Perfect

Use	Talking about things that will be completed or over at a certain time in the future
Structure	will + have + past participle
Signal words	until, before by the end of the day, by the end of the week, by the end of the month, ...
Positive statement	I will have walked, she will have walked, they will have taken, he will have taken



Negative statement	I won't have walked, she won't have walked, they won't have taken, he won't have taken
Question	Will I have walked? Will she have walked? Will they have taken? Will he have taken?

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