

PERFECT TENSES

1 Complete the sentences with a suitable verb. Use a simple or continuous perfect tense.

1. There will be good skiing at the weekend. It for days.
2. We for over an hour when we realised we were going in the wrong direction.
3. I can see you don't understand. Obviously you to anything I've said all morning.
4. They are very worried. They from their son since he arrived in South America.
5. It's too bad you didn't arrive a few minutes earlier. Jean just the office.
6. By the time the shop opened, they in the queue for over an hour.

2 Complete the mini-dialogues with the verbs in brackets. Use the Perfect Simple or Continuous tenses.

1. **A:** ^{1.} you (speak) to your boyfriend since you broke up.
B: No. And I ^{2.} (try) not to think about him.
2. **A:** Come and see my sister. She ^{3.} just (return) from her trip to China.
B: How long ^{4.} she (travel)?
A: Almost a year. And until yesterday, we ^{5.} (not see) each other.
3. **A:** My flight was delayed twice. By the time I got home, I ^{6.} (be) awake for 48 hours.
B: Sounds exhausting! That ^{7.} never (happen) to me before.
4. **A:** It's ten o'clock. We ^{8.} (wait) for the bus for over an hour.
B: Obviously, you ^{9.} (not hear) that there's a bus strike this week.

3 Rewrite the sentences with the words in brackets. Use a suitable perfect tense. Do not change the original meaning.

1. We spoke to Ellen a few minutes ago. (just)
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2. We met each other when we were children. (known)
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3. They started out six hours ago. (driving)
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4. Everyone arrived at the meeting. Then we told them the news. (after)
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5. We went home after 24 hours of work. (working)
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Answers:

- 1**
1. has been snowing
 2. had been driving
 3. haven't been listening
 4. haven't heard
 5. has ... left
 6. had been waiting

- 2**
1. Have ... spoken
 2. have been trying / am trying
 3. has ... returned
 4. had ... been travelling
 5. hadn't seen
 6. had been
 7. has ... happened
 8. have been waiting
 9. haven't heard

- 3**
1. We have just spoken to Ellen.
 2. We have known each other since we were children.
 3. They have been driving for six hours.
 4. After everyone had arrived at the meeting, we told them the news.
 5. We had been working for 24 hours before we went home.

FUTURE TENSES

1 Complete the sentences with the verbs below. Use the Future Simple or *be going to*.

be • start • order • walk • hit • help • not let • not invite

1. Stop! You that car!
2. Don't worry. I you with the homework.
3. Bye! I to Jane's house. I home in a couple of hours.
4. I'm not very hungry, so I think I just a small salad.
5. They you bring your dog into the shop, so wait for me outside.
6. I doubt that the concert on time.
7. Luke and Sara had a fight, so Luke Sara to his party.

2 Complete the mini-dialogues with the verbs in brackets. Use the Future Continuous or Future Perfect Simple.

1. **A:** Do you want to get together tomorrow evening?
B: I'd love to, but I (visit) relatives.
2. **A:** How come you decided not to go on the skiing trip in December?
B: Because I (not save) enough money by then.
3. **A:** I'm getting so nervous about the exams.
B: Me, too. But just think – by this time next month, we (take) them.
4. **A:** Has your article been in the school paper yet?
B: No, but they (publish) it on Friday.
5. **A:** Are you excited about moving to your new flat?
B: Yes – mainly because I (not share) a room with my sister!
6. **A:** Mum and Dad are making such a big deal out of their wedding anniversary this year.
B: Well, it **is** a big deal. On 1st October, they (marry) for 20 years, and that's why they (have) a big party that night.

3 Complete the sentences with a suitable verb. Use a suitable future tense.

1. I to the supermarket later.
2. The cake is delicious! I think I another slice if that's OK with you.
3. Our football team isn't very good. We probably any matches.
4. The science fair on 20th October.
5. At this time next month, we around India!
6. you your project by Monday?
7. What film you at the weekend ?

Answers:

- 1**
1. are going to hit
 2. will help
 3. am going to walk, will be
 4. will order
 5. won't let
 6. will start
 7. isn't going to invite

- 2**
1. will be visiting
 2. won't have saved
 3. will have taken
 4. will be publishing
 5. won't be sharing
 6. will have been married; will be having

- 3**
1. am going
 2. will have
 3. won't win
 4. will open
 5. will be travelling
 6. Will ... have finished
 7. are ... going to see

VERB TENSES

1 Complete the sentences with a suitable verb. Use present, past, perfect or future tenses.

1. Don't call me before 9 o'clock. I the match.
2. They this bridge in 1900.
3. you your book report tonight?
4. People to Mars by 2050.
5. It was fun trying ice-skating. I never it before.
6. It too long since I did something fun.
7. She for the bus when she texted me.
8. We physics this year.
9. That's the perfect gift. He it.
10. My friend rarely violent films.

2 Rewrite the sentences using the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Do not change the original meaning. Make any necessary changes. There may be more than one possible answer.

1. The doctor is busy with a patient. (see)
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2. I'm still cooking dinner. (finish)
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3. Were those sunglasses expensive? (cost)
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4. I was asleep before 11pm last night. (sleep)
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5. Keira isn't due home until Sunday. (return)
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Answers:

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| 1. will be watching | 6. has been |
| 2. built | 7. was waiting |
| 3. Are ... going to finish | 8. are studying |
| 4. will have travelled | 9. will love |
| 5. had ... done | 10. watches |
- 2
1. The doctor is seeing a patient.
 2. I haven't finished cooking dinner.
 3. Did those sunglasses cost a lot?
 4. I was sleeping before 11 pm last night.
 5. Keira will have returned home by Monday.