

12 ENGLISH TENSES

PRESENT SIMPLE	PRESENT CONTINUOUS	PRESENT PERFECT	PRESENT PERFECT CONTINUOUS
I play cricket <i>every day</i> S + V1 + O	I am playing cricket <i>now</i> S + am/is/are + V1/ing + O	I have played cricket S + HAVE / HAS + V3 (PP) + O	I have been playing cricket for 2 hours. S + HAVE/HAS + BEEN+V1(ing) + O

PAST SIMPLE	PAST CONTINUOUS	PAST PERFECT	PAST PERFECT CONTINUOUS
I played cricket yesterday S + V2 + O An action and Time which is finished.	I was playing cricket when you arrived. S + WAS/WERE + V1(ing) + O 2 ACTIONS. 1 FINISHED. 1 NOT YET.	I had played cricket when you arrived. S + HAD + V3(PP) + O 2 ACTIONS. BOTH FINISHED.	I had been playing cricket for 2 hours when you arrived. S + HAD + BEEN + V1(ing) + O 2 COMPLETE ACTION AS IN PAST PERFECT, EXCEPT WE CAN TELL HOW LONG WAS THE ACTION.

FUTURE SIMPLE	FUTURE CONTINUOUS	FUTURE PERFECT	FUTURE PERFECT CONTINUOUS
I will play cricket tomorrow. S + WILL + V1 + O	I will be playing cricket when you arrive tomorrow. S + WILL + BE + V1(ing) + O	I will have played cricket by the time you arrive. S + WILL + HAVE + V3(PP) + O 2 ACTION- WILL HAVE EATEN – ARRIVE	I will have been playing cricket for 2 hours when you arrive. S + WILL + HAVE + BEEN +Ving + Will know how long 1 action will be happening