

TABLE OF MOST USEFUL VERBAL TENSES

SIMPLE

CONTINUOUS (ACTION IN COURSE)

PERFECT (ACTION AS EXPERIENCE)

FUTURE

1. **Planned future**
What are you doing [going to do] today?
I'm finishing [going to finish] my reports.

PRESENT SIMPLE

S + Base Form of Verb (3rd person sing.: -S)
 - and ? : DO / DOES - DON'T / DOESN'T

PRESENT CONTINUOUS

Aux. TO BE in present + Verb in -ING


PRESENT PERFECT

Aux. TO HAVE in present + Verb in Participle (-ED or Irregular) = pret. perfecto

PRESENT

1. Habits
I drink black coffee.
2. General truths
I don't like Mondays.

2. **Temporary actions including NOW**
I'm finishing my reports [now].

1. **Action that began in the past & still continues** 
She has been in the company for five months.

2. Recent past experience
I have finished my report.
3. Past experience relevant for present
I have studied architecture.

TIME NOT RELEVANT

SIMPLE PAST

S + Verb in Past Form (-ED or Irregular)
 - and ? : DID / DIDN'T

PAST

1. Past actions
I finished my report yesterday.

TIME RELEVANT

PRESENT SIMPLE >>>>>>>>> PRESENT SIMPLE >>>>>>>>> PRESENT SIMPLE >>>>>>>>>

